Prayer of Consecration

Breaking Bread

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 593** *“Here I Am, Lord”*

\*Blessing and Dismissal

\*Postlude

**Scatter to Serve God & Neighbor**

***Welcome to all!*** *We gather to praise God for the innumerable blessings given to us and to grow deeper in the Spirit. Joyfully, let us lift our hearts to God.*



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*Chestnut Hill United Methodist Church*

10:30 a.m. ~ February 2, 2025 ~ Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Our ministry vision for the Virginia Annual Conference is ***“to be***

***disciples of Jesus Christ who are lifelong learners, who influence others to serve.”***

***Welcome! Join us in worshiping God!***

Prelude

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

*Welcome in the name of Christ our Lord. Please register your attendance, printing your name, address, phone, and email, on the attendance pad provided on your pew. Thank you for silencing cell phones as we gather to worship God.*

Invocation

\*Greeting

When to the temple Mary went,

**And brought the Holy Child,**

Him did the aged Simeon see,

**As it had been revealed.**

He took up Jesus in his arms

**And blessing God he said:**

In peace I now depart, my Savior having seen,

**The Hope of Israel, the Light of all.**

Help now thy servants, gracious Lord,

**That we may ever be**

As once the faithful Simeon was,

**Rejoicing but in Thee;**

And when we must from earth departure take,

**May gently fall asleep and with Thee wake.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 103** *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

Opening Prayer

**Almighty and everliving God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer for Illumination

**Dear God,** a**s we remember how Jesus was presented as a baby in the Temple,** **we remember Simeon’s declaration that he is the Light of the World.** **We have experienced so much darkness within ourselves and within our world.** **We hunger for your light to dispel the darkness and guide us to life.** **Increase the small flames you have created in our lives,** **that we might bring your light into the darkness.** **Amen.**

Scripture Lesson Luke 2:22-40

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 349** *“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”*

The Good News ***“Worth the Wait”***

Bringing Forward God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

\*Doxology **# 95 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all Creatures here below;** **praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

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***\*\*Looking Ahead on the Calendar \*\****

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| Sunday, 2/23 | 11:45 a.m. | *Stewardship Luncheon*  RSVP forms will be included in the bulletin beginning next Sunday. |

**Flowers**

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**Souper Bowl of Caring**

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**For the Grocery Cart:**

**February ~** *“Pop-top cans of food and fruit”*. Place donations in the cart in the Commons.

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**Mitten Tree Trunk**

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