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.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 419** *“I Am Thine, O 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. ~January 12, 2025 ~ Baptism of the Lord

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

Bless now, O God, the journey

**That all your people make.**

The path through noise and silence

**The way of give and take.**

The trail is found in desert

**And winds the mountain round.**

Then leads beside still waters

**The road where faith is found.**

Bless sojourners and pilgrims

**Who share this winding way.**

Your hope burns through the terrors

**Your love sustains the day.**

We yearn for holy freedom

**While often we are bound.**

Together we are seeking

**The road where faith is found.**

Divine eternal lover

**You meet us on the road.**

We wait for lands of promise

**Where milk and honey flow.**

But waiting not for places

**You meet us all around.**

Our covenant is written

**On roads, as faith is found.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 139** *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”*

Opening Prayer

**Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ’s glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.  Amen.**

Anthem

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer for Illumination

**Living God, help us so to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons Matthew 2:1-12 and John 2:1-11

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 393** *“Spirit of the Living God”*

The Good News ***“The Long and Winding Road”***

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