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.**

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 **# 251** *“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”*

\*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 5, 2025 ~ Epiphany Sunday

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

This is a day of new beginnings,

**time to remember and move on,**

time to believe what love is bringing,

**laying to rest the pain that’s gone.**

For by the life and death of Jesus,

**love’s mighty Spirit, now as then,**

can make for us a world of difference,

**as faith and hope are born again.**

Then let us, with the Spirit’s daring,

**step from the past and leave behind**

our disappointment, guilt, and grieving,

**seeking new paths, and sure to find.**

Christ is alive, and goes before us

**to show and share what love can do.**

This is a day of new beginnings;

**our God is making all things new.**

\*Singing Our Faith **# 220** *“Angels from the Realms of Glory”*

Opening Prayer

**O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer for Illumination

**God, source of all light,** **by your Word, you give light to the soul.** **Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding,** **that our hearts and minds may be opened**

**to know your truth and your way. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons Matthew 2:1-12 and Luke 2:41-52

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 254** (verses 1, 2) *“We Three Kings”*

The Good News ***“Big Deal for Jesus - Big Deal for Us”***

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

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|  | 10:00 a.m. | *Homeschool* |

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| Tuesday, 1/14 | 9:30 a.m. | *Un-decorating Church*  See Judy Robertson if you can help. |
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