\*Singing Our Faith **# 389** *“Freely, Freely”*

\*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.~September 15, 2024~Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Children of God: welcome!

**Welcome to this place of love and grace,**

Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance,
**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,**

God invites all of us to share in the good news:
**We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

\*Singing Our Faith **# 261** *“Lord of the Dance”*

Opening Prayer

**Hold God, growth in contentment is growth in grace, so supersize the chambers of my heart to receive more of your grace. Rescue me from my pathetically small notions of your love and goodness. Free me from the stranglehold of my unbelief; revealed in the fear I have in even *praying* for contentment. Liberate me for being,**

**not just satisfied in Christ, but overwhelmed, smitten and in awe of every good thing you have given us in Jesus. So very Amen I pray, in Jesus’ powerful and beautiful name.**  Written by Scotty Smith

Anthem *“When We All Get to Heaven*

Greeting Friends and Neighbors

Prayer for Illumination Heather Wilson

**Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today, the voice of truth and grace. Amen**

Scripture Lesson Philippians 4:10-13 Heather Wilson

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Singing Our Faith **# 170** *“O How I Love Jesus”*

The Good News ***“Contentment”***

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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**Cards for Homebound Members**

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