The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

December 25, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Day



Ukrainian Icon of the Nativity

Whoever you are, from wherever you come, you are welcome here.

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church seeks to be a congregation where God is the center of our lives; we celebrate children and youth and equip them with faith to meet life's challenges; we work for justice in local and global communities.

Service of Worship

Prelude Minuet: The Holly and the Ivy and Cherry Tree Carol Alec Rowley

Greeting The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

^{*}Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.**Please use a connection card found in the pew to write your prayer concern and hand it to an usher so that it can be included in the Joys and Concerns.

*Call to Worship

Come, sing to the Lord a new song for God has done marvelous things. Joy to the world, the Lord is come. God brings justice and salvation, God's faithful love is for everyone. Let earth receive her king. Everyone, sing songs of joy! Let every heart prepare him room. For to us a child is born!

*Hymn 143

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Regent Square

*Lighting the Christ Candle

*Prayers of Adoration

O Incarnate One, we bow before you on this day to celebrate the coming of your presence among us. You are the fulfillment of God's ancient promises, a living testimony to God's faithfulness. We thank you for your life-transforming love: you are a gift of nourishment to souls who hunger and thirst; you are balm to the wounded and strength to the weak you are the very light of God, shining for all the nations to see. With all creation we rejoice at your coming, as we worship before your manger.

*The Peace (Responsive)

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Please exchange with one another, by words and gesture, signs of peace and reconciliation.

People's Response

Love has come: a light in the darkness! Love shines fort in the Bethlehem skies. See all heaven has come to proclaim it; hear how their song of joy arises: Love! Love! Born unto you, a Savior! Love! Clory to Go on high.

Time with Children

Gathering Song

Love is born! Come, share in the wonder. Love is God now a sleep in the hay. See the glow in the eyes of his mother; what is the name her heart is saying? Love! Love is the name she whispers. Love! Love! Jesus, Emmanuel.

Joys and Concerns

All are invited to share prayer concerns at the microphone located in the center aisle. Please chat box and/or email us your prayer concerns and we will include them in the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

... We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, Our Father and Mother, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; 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 for Illumination

Loving God, your Word became flesh in Jesus Christ and lived among us, full of grace and truth. Send us your Holy Spirit this day, so that we may hear a word of grace and truth once again and be empowered to live it in our lives. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 52:7-10 Pew Bible p. 683

Gospel John 1:1-5 Pew Bible pg. 91

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Gift of Christmas Song Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

The Offertory In Dulci Jubilo J.S. Bach

*The People's Thanksgiving

Love has come and never will leave us! Love is life everlasting and free. Love is Jesus within and among us. Love is the peace our hearts are seeking. Love! Love is the gift of Christmas. Love! Love! Praise to you, God on high!

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, accept this offering, for it will bring light.

Searchers will find their way,

the sick will be aware of hope,

the hungry will be filled,

the anxious will come to peace,

the outcast will belong.

And your people's gifts will have been blessed.

We Go Forth To Serve

*Hymn 119 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing Mendelssohn

^{*}Charge and Benediction

^{*}Postlude

 $[\]textbf{*Leaders in worship include} \ \text{The Rev. Molly Blythe Teichert, Senior Pastor; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music.} \\$

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church Staff

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If you're visiting, making a prayer request, or just want to check in with us,

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Scan this code with your smartphone and fill out our form online.

WEEKLY CALENDAR December 25 - January 1		
Sunday, December 25	10:00 - 11:00	Worship —Sanctuary and on Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zzog
Monday, December 26 and Tuesday, December 27		CCPC Office and Building Closed
Saturday, December 31		CCPC Office and Building Closed
Sunday, January 1	9:00 - 12:00 10:00 - 11:00 11:00 - 12:00	Childcare — Room 108 Worship — Sanctuary and on Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zzog Coffee Hour — Chadsey Hall

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