

SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 5, 2024 11:00am

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Pastor Carroll Fitzgerald

PRELUDE

“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

Webb

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

*INTROIT

SEE SCREEN

“Because He Lives” (Chorus)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(from the Book of Common Worship)

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples!

People: God has gone up with a shout of joy.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign;

People: His is the name above all names.

Leader: We are all witness: the Lord is risen!

People: Christ has ascended to reign on high.

ALL: Let us praise and worship God.

*OPENING PRAYER

(ALL)

O God of power and majesty, as the sea roars, Your name is praised. Waves pounding the shore remind us of Your grandeur. By Your creative design birds fly, fish swim, and creatures in the forests and meadows leap and run. All creation chants in praise of your plan for them. As You make

our joy complete in the gift of Your Son, Christ Jesus, we worship You with hearts, hands, and voices in songs of glad adoration.

***OPENING HYMN #10**

"Majesty"

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Friends, let us repent of those things that have drawn us away from God and our neighbors, that we may receive the joy of forgiveness.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned Him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before Him, or acknowledged His rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give Him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is Head of the church, His body.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support, and strengthen us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! We give all thanks to God!

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)

God Most High, reigning in glory, send down Your Spirit of wisdom to shine in Your heavenly Word, so that we may worship You with joy, continually blessing Your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Psalm 93

Page 932

ANTHEM

“Holy Ground”

Beatty/Davis

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Acts 1: 1-11

Pages 1690-1691

SERMON

“Gazing After Jesus”

***PROFESSION OF FAITH**

back of hymnal

“The Apostles’ Creed”

***HYMN #43**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS - #641

“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERING
OFFERTORY**

“St. Anthony’s Chorale”

Haydn

***DOXOLOGY**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN #431**

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Amen, Amen”

*** POSTLUDE**

“God of Majesty and Hope”

Miller

*Please stand, if you are able.