

# SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 18, 2024 11:00am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Carroll Fitzgerald

## PRELUDE

“Morning Has Broken”

arr. Wilson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

### \*INTROIT #179

“Awesome God”

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary;  
praise him in his mighty heavens.

**People: Praise him for his acts of power; praise him  
for his surpassing greatness.**

Leader: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,  
praise him with the harp and lyre,

**People: Praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise  
him with the strings and pipe,**

Leader: Praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise  
him with resounding cymbals.

**People: Let everything that has breath praise the  
LORD. Praise the LORD.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER (ALL)**

**Eternal God, your mercy is everlasting, your goodness eternal. Your name endures to all generations. As we gaze at the stars, they dance to your music; the moon shines, reflecting your glory. We greet the sunrise and rejoice in creation. Tasting the rain, we affirm how you care for us. Touching the sand, we are in awe of your power. You enliven our senses to the scope of your grandeur. We give you all honor as we worship your name. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #11**

**"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Seeking the wisdom of the Lord, let us consider how we have lived, confessing our sins and trusting in the mercy of God.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)**

**O God, deliver us from the burden of sin as we make our confession. Remove the scales from our eyes, for we overlook neighbors in need. Cleanse us of selfishness, which keeps us from serving them. Purge us of vanity, since we expect them to be grateful. Help us not to brood over the seeming ingratitude of some we serve. Restore us by Christ's redeeming sacrifice, and purify our intentions. Make us fit for your service. In Christ's name we pray.**

*Silent Prayer...a time for personal reflection and confession*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news; Christ offers himself as bread of life to all who would receive him. This proves his love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

## **\*THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**Great God of steadfast love, we study your works and delight in your ways. Illumine our understanding by your Holy Spirit, that we may reverence your name, grow in your wisdom, and discern between good and evil. Amen.**

### **OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 100

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### **NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE**

Ephesians 5: 18-20

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### **SERMON**

“Joyfulness in the Lord”

### **\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

back of hymnal

“The Apostles' Creed”

**\*HYMN #510**

“Heaven Came Down”

**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 OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

“More Precious than Silver”

DeShazo

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN #746 (vs. 1, 2, 5)**

“He Keeps Me Singing”

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Amen, Amen”

*Spiritual, Hairston*

**\*POSTLUDE**

“Sing to the Great Jehovah’s Praise”

Smith

\*Please stand, if you are able.