

SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 4, 2024 11:00am

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Communion Sunday

PRELUDE

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”

arr. Cindy Berry

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

*INTROIT #54

SEE SCREEN

“My Tribute”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: What do you bring into the house of God
today? What hurt and sorrow do you carry?

People: Lay it down and worship.

Leader: What joy fills your heart?

People: Give it to God in praise.

Leader: Come, just as you are,

People: to the Creator of the universe.

Leader: God is present in this place and ready to receive
honor and glory.

All: Let us worship together now!

*OPENING PRAYER

(ALL)

**O God of grace and infinite goodness, you nourish us with the
bread of life and sustain us with the peace that sets our longing**

hearts at rest. You fill our cup with kindness; it overflows with the bounty of your all-encompassing care. You chose to dwell among us and in us through our Savior, Jesus Christ. We praise you and adore you, O God of us all. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN #462**

"Come, Share the Lord"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God has given us a sign, showing that love is stronger than death. The sign of the cross points to our exodus from bondage to sin. Let us repent, seek God's forgiveness, and enter into new life in Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(ALL)

Merciful God, like the disciples we are short-sighted and small-minded. We focus on problems and needs and on what seem like logical or "possible" solutions. We rely on our own strengths and resources and are quickly overwhelmed. We forget to turn to you, and we fail to depend on your Spirit. Forgive us, Lord. Remind us yet again that your ways are not ours, and that, with you, all things are possible. Renew us in faith and commitment that we might trust you in every situation.

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)
In Christ we find salvation and forgiveness. Thanks be to God!

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYERS AND

THE LORD'S PRAYER

RESPONSE TO PRAYERS #191

“Father, I Adore You”

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Just As I Am”

**William Bradbury
arr. Carolyn Oliver**

***DOXOLOGY**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy God, may the reading of your Scriptures and the hearing of your Word be for us the bread you send from heaven that gives life to the world. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

**Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15
Page 112**

SPECIAL MUSIC

“One Bread, One Body”

Rebecca Fitzgerald

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

**Matthew 9: 9-13
Page 1509**

SERMON

“All Are Welcome at the Feast”

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Praise to you, O God, for all your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in your image to live together in love. You made a covenant with us, and even when we turned from you, you remained ever faithful. Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son. He lived among us and told your story. He healed the sick and welcomed sinners. He shared our pain and died our death, then rose to new life that we might live, and all creation restored. Remembering your boundless love revealed to us in Jesus Christ, we break bread and share the cup, giving ourselves to you to live for him in joy and praise. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE SHARING OF THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER THE LORD’S SUPPER

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #426**

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"Amen, Amen"

Spiritual, Hairston

***POSTLUDE**

"Until Then"

Stuart Hamblen
arr. Fred Bock

*Please stand, if you are able.

Showing Our Love to a Church Family Member / "Soup Train"

In addition to keeping Cindy Seibel in our prayers as she begins her fight against cancer we are trying to help lift her spirits by providing her soup, on Mondays and Wednesday. If you are able to help, please contact me either by my cell phone, 410-937-7753 or my email, jnicholson@homesale.com so that I can help coordinate the schedule.

Cindy was very grateful for our offer to provide some meals, and it was her preference for soup. Her appetite isn't great but she loves all kinds of soup! She also feels that most days she is up for a visit if anyone would like to stop by, she just asks that they call first in case she is having a tough day. Cindy's number is 717-456-5922, then press 8 (to bypass spam calls). Due to my schedule this week, I am delivering to her on Tuesday this week so I'd love to have someone able to do the same on Thursday... if you can help with soup, but don't have time to visit, Cindy also understands that and would be glad to just meet you at the door and let you go on your way, or with a phone call and an approximate time, you can just leave it on the porch. I can provide a small cooler to leave it in if this becomes necessary. If you can help provide soup but have no means for getting it to her, let me know...I will help make it happen! Thanks to all who are able to help and once again, more importantly than the soup, remember Cindy needs prayers for strength to fight this battle and find joy in God's presence! I'm sure cards and uplifting phone calls will always be appreciated.

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