

**SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**October 27, 2024 11:00am**

**Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

**Homecoming Sunday**

**PRELUDE**

Piano/Organ duet by Joyce Myers and Barbara Johnson

“Nature’s Anthem of Praise (The Lost Chord)”

Sir Arthur Sullivan

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

**\*INTROIT #179**

“Awesome God”

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 34

Leader: My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the  
humble hear and be glad.

People: **O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt  
God’s name together.**

Leader: When I sought you, O God, you answered me.  
You delivered me from all my fears.

People: **O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy  
are those who take refuge in the Lord, our  
God.**

**All: Let us worship our God!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**(ALL)**

**Merciful God, you always hear us when we cry out. You stay close when we are in distress. It is you in whom we seek refuge, and you deliver us from evil. Let praise flow from our mouths to your ears, for we can taste and see that you are indeed good. All glory, praise, and honor are due to you. O God, our redeemer and our strength. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**SEE INSERT**

"Hallelujah!"

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

The God of mercy hears our cries. Let us confess our failings and needs to each other and to the one who commands us to come and be healed.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**(ALL)**

**Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You see our need when we are blind to it. You have made us to be yours. In your compassion, forgive us for our lack of faith and the harm we do to others and to your earth. Forgive us for turning away from your will, for ignoring the cries of our neighbors, for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even for ourselves. Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours. Hear this and answer; in Jesus' holy name we pray.**

*Moment for silent prayer and reflection*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Remember that Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest but was appointed by God, who said to him, “You are a priest forever.” As we confess our sins, we have assurance that Christ intercedes on our behalf. God hears our prayer. Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Amen! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Praise be to God!**

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

## **HOMECOMING AND RECOGNITION OF 50-YEAR MEMBERS**

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

**HYMN #563**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Jeremiah 31: 7-9  
Pages 1225-1226

## **ANTHEM**

“How Amazing!”

Sharp

*Congregation will sing with Choir as directed:*

**“When we’ve been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise than when we’d first begun.”**

**SERMON**

“Bartimaeus”

Mark 10: 46-52

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

back of hymnal

**\*HYMN #796**

“Count Your Blessings”

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**RESPONSE TO PRAYERS #641**

“Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

Piano/Organ duet by Joyce Myers and Barbara Johnson

“To God Be the Glory”

arr. Whitworth

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN #419/423**

“The Family of God” / “The Bond of Love”

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**\*\*SEE INSERT**

## **\*POSTLUDE**

“Alleluia, Amen!”

Nordman

The flowers on the organ were given by Patti Gibney.

\*Please stand, if you are able.

\*\*Kindly leave the song sheet on the back table for reuse next week.