SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH November 10, 2024 11:00am Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

"The Prayer"

Sager/Foster

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINUTE FOR MISSION

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

***INTROIT #179**

"Awesome God"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will praise the lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

People: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob; whose hope is in the Lord their God.

Leader: The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

People: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion; for all generations. Praise the Lord!

All: Let us worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

(ALL)

We remember today, O God, all those who have served under the colors of their country. We commend them to you for their bravery, their patriotism, and their honor. Grant that those who serve today may be kept in your everlasting love and protection. Give comfort and encouragement to their families.

We pray for the day when there will be peace on earth and the kingdoms of this world will have become the kingdoms of our Christ. Hasten that day, O God, and help us to live in that hope. Imbue us with your spirit of love and forgiveness, in order that we may understand the nature of Christ's kingdom. Hear our prayers for our enemies in the world, that they may be converted to Christ's will for the nations and join us in a better world community. Let your holy will prevail among all people, and your name be exalted forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #104

"O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Christ came into the world to save us from sin, once and for all. Because of his sacrifice for us, God waits in mercy to forgive. Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(ALL)

Forgive us, Lord, when we think too highly of ourselves and clamor after privilege and honor. Forgive us Lord when we cannot lift our gaze because we do not believe we have anything to give. You have given us the best gift of all, freedom from all that harms us and the way to abundant life. Have mercy on our foolishness and heal our lovesick hearts, that we may live faithfully for you. In Jesus' name we pray.

Silent prayer of personal reflection and confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Cor. 5: 17-18, 20

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

We are ambassadors for Christ, for God has reconciled us through him!

*THE GLORIA PATRI #812

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

(ALL)

O Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, startle us with your Word, and awaken us to your truth, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ex 7:16, 8:1, 20; 9:1, 13; 10:3

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ANTHEM

"I Will Worship You"

Neufeld

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Cor 3:17

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SERMON

"Free to Worship"

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

back of hymnal

"The Apostles' Creed"

*HYMN #353

"Victory in Jesus"

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

"Romanza" Beethoven

*DOXOLOGY
*OFFERING PRAYER

*HYMN #788

"Now Thank We All Our God"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**SEE INSERT

*POSTLUDE

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

Sewell

^{*}Please stand, if you are able.

^{**}Kindly leave the song sheet on the back table for reuse next week.