SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH February 23, 2025 11:00am Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

PRELUDE

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Mansfield

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

*INTROIT #65 Vs. 5

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us

shout out loud to our Lord and Maker.

People: Let us give him all our thanks and praise

him with music and song.

Leader: For our Lord is the true God; the King of all

Kings.

People: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us

kneel before our Savior and give him our

unending thanks and praise.

*OPENING PRAYER Psalm 150

(ALL)

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

*HYMN #450

"Lift High the Cross"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jesus promised us that God is kind even to the ungrateful and the wicked, even to us. Trusting in God's kindness and love, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(ALL)

Lord, we come before you today with our undying gratitude for everything you have done, and everything you continue to do, in our lives. Unfortunately, we are unable to live up to the example you set for us. Even though you sacrificed your life so that we may be forgiven, we continue to sin. We do not want to sin against you, our families, our friends, or our neighbors. But, because of our continued failures, we once again ask for your forgiveness, your guidance, and the spiritual strength that can only be found in you.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Christ died for our sins. He made a full atonement for us.

P: We are forgiven and we have the promise of eternal life.

L: Feel that forgiveness in your heart.

P: We are His children. Amen.

*THE GLORIA PATRI #812

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

(ALL)

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may your Holy Spirit rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 100, KJV

CHORAL ANTHEM

"In the Valley Flows a River"

Nolan

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 3: 15-17

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SERMON

"Gratitude...and Giving"

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

hymnal, back cover

*HYMN #786

"Count Your Blessings"

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

"Shepherd of Love"

Peterson

*DOXOLOGY
*OFFERING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN #597 (vs. 1, 5, 6)

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

SEE SCREEN

"Go Now in Peace"

*POSTLUDE

"The Joy of the Lord"

arr. Wilson

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