

SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 9, 2025 11:00am

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

PRELUDE

“Albumleaf (Für Elise)”

Beethoven

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

*INTROIT #65 Vs. 5

“Stand Up and Bless the Lord”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From the very beginning, God calls us.

People: **God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.**

Leader: We come up with excuses to avoid our calls, for we are afraid.

People: **But God reassures us in many and various ways through the course of our days.**

Leader: Even if we are brought to the edge of a cliff,

ALL: **God is with us and sustains us. Let us worship God!**

***OPENING PRAYER**

(ALL)

Source of all life, you give birth to the nations; we are conceived by your love. You sustain us in the womb of your mercy; we are nourished and grow in the folds of your grace. You have sent Jesus our Savior to deliver us, and have surrounded our days with your Spirit. Through Christ you conceive us as children of the covenant; we gather in his household to give you our praise.

***HYMN #10**

“Majesty”

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God calls us to speak the truth, even when it is difficult, to others but also to ourselves. Confessing our sin in prayer, we dare to speak the truth about ourselves to God, who desires to deliver us and to cast out fear.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(ALL)

God, our Deliverer, we confess that we are too reluctant to speak and to live according to your truth. We grow comfortable with the way things are, passively condoning injustice. We find it easier to pluck up and pull down, to destroy and overthrow, than to build and to plant. Forgive us, O God, for being timid disciples. Empty us of fear and shame, and fill us with the love that is humble, and patient, and kind. We pray this in the name of the one who humbled himself, Jesus the Christ.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has loved us since the beginning, and God's love for us will never end. Do not fear, therefore, but have faith in God's steadfast love, God's healing power, and God's ability to make all things new.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)

Holy Spirit, as the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah in his time, bring this word now to us. Touch our mouths and our hearts with your word today; that we may build on it in our lives, in the church, and in your world. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 1: 4-10
Page 1169

CHORAL ANTHEM

"All Praise to You, Dear Father"

Wiser/Dunbar

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 4: 21-30
Page 1596

SERMON

"Hear the Truth"

***PROFESSION OF FAITH**

hymnal, back cover

***HYMN #605**

“Living for Jesus”

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

“The Gift of Love”

Hopson

***DOXOLOGY**

***OFFERING PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN # Insert**

"This Little Light of Mine"

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Go Now in Peace”

SEE SCREEN

***POSTLUDE**

“God of Majesty and Hope”

Miller

*Please stand, if you are able.