

# **SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**April 20, 2025 11:00am**

**Easter Sunday**

## **PRELUDE Organ/Piano duet**

**"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"**

arr. Smith/Hustad

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

### **INTROIT #368 Refrain**

**"He Lives"**

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: After nights of deep darkness,

**People: we come in the bright light of this Easter morning.**

Leader: We come in search of something.

**People: We come in search of the living.**

Leader: We come in search of the Living One.

**People: The Resurrected One.**

Leader: We come with eyes open to the dark emptiness of the tomb.

**People: We come with ears tuned to hear the angel's proclamation.**

Leader: Christ is not here, for He is risen.

**All: Christ is risen indeed!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER (ALL)**

**God of salvation, you have rolled the stone away and the tomb is empty. Nothing can defeat your love for humankind. The night is passed and with dawn comes new creation. Christ is risen to bring us new life. We herald with gladness your anointing of Jesus and rejoice in your promised redemption from sin. Hear our shouts of glad adoration as we enter the courtyard of your redeeming grace. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #45**

**“Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

**We know that God shows no partiality, but welcomes and forgives all those who repent and believe. Let us confess our sin.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)**

**O God, we come before you thankful for Your son, Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for our sins. We also stand before you knowing that we are not worthy of that sacrifice. All too often we slip and follow the ways of the world. We acknowledge that we are weak. We are tempted. We continually disappoint you with our sin. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to be witnesses to your goodness and mercy to everyone around us.**

*Moment for silent prayer and reflection*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Rejoice and be glad! Our God is full of mercy, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. Through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Dare to believe in the gift of a new beginning and be at peace.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

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

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)**

**Lord, as we prepare to read and hear your word for us today, we look to the Holy Spirit for guidance. Open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts to the understanding of your message on this glorious Lord's Day, the day on which we celebrate the resurrection of the one in whose name we pray, Jesus our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Psalm 118: 15-24

Pages 956-957

### **ANTHEM**

**"Resurrection Chorus"**

Hayford

### **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Luke 24: 1-12

Page 1642

## **SERMON**

“The Day That Changed the World”

## **\*PROFESSION OF FAITH**

hymnal, back cover

## **\*HYMN #360**

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

## **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    Organ/Piano duet**

“Christ Arose!”

Lowry

## **\*DOXOLOGY**

## **\*OFFERING PRAYER**

## **\*CLOSING HYMN #450**

"Lift High the Cross"

## **\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

## **\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

**SEE SCREEN**

“Go Now in Peace”

## **\*POSTLUDE**

“Alleluia! Alleluia!”

Beethoven

## ***2025 Easter Lilies***

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