SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 14, 2025 11:00am
Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Converse

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

INTROIT SEE SCREEN
"Holy Ground"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 139
Leader: O Lord, you have searched me and know me,
and are acquainted with all my ways.
People: **Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.**
Leader: For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
People: How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! I try to count them – they are like the sand.
All: Let us worship God.

***OPENING PRAYER (ALL)**
Creator God, in your great love you created heaven and earth. You have gifted us a flourishing planet – a speck of green and blue in lifeless space. When we look at the teaming life around us – grass and flowers, birds and whales, cats and tigers, dogs

and moles, an almost infinite variety of life forms – how can we think that this is just chance? When we look to the mysterious, unfathomable heavens – planets and stars and galaxies which we now glimpse over distances we can barely grasp – how can we be foolish enough to deny your glory? For it all exists because of you alone. You are the ground of our very being. To you, our awesome Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we bring our praise and thanksgiving today. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN #56**

"To God Be the Glory"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

The grace of our Lord overflows for us through the faith and love that are ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved, your sins are forgiven. Therefore, be at peace to follow the good road, for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! All praise be to God!

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)
O God of wisdom, by your Spirit speak this day a word of life, and plant in us the power of your righteous love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING
Psalm 78: 35-39, Page 916

ANTHEM
"Amazing Grace/Pachelbel's Canon" arr. Shafferman

NEW TESTAMENT READING
1 Timothy 1: 12-20, Page 1846

SERMON
"Re-Calculating"

***PROFESSION OF FAITH** hymnal, back cover

HYMN #343
"Amazing Grace"

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
"Prayer (with Chimes)" Clarke
***DOXOLOGY**
***OFFERING PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN #788**
"Now Thank We All Our God"

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** **SEE SCREEN**
"Go Now in Peace"

***POSTLUDE**
"All Glory Be to Thee" Richolson

*Please stand if you are able.