SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
December 28, 2025 11:00am
First Sunday After Christmas

PRELUDE
"The Song of the Angels" Hughes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

INTROIT **SEE SCREEN**
"Holy Ground"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Psalm 139**
Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens.
People: Praise Him for His acts of power; praise Him for His surpassing greatness.
Leader: Praise Him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise Him with the harp and lyre,
People: Praise Him with timbrel and dancing, praise Him with the strings and pipe,
Leader: Praise Him with the clash of cymbals, praise Him with resounding cymbals.
All: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

OPENING PRAYER (ALL)

We praise the name of the Lord, O God; the heavens praise you and the waters above the heavens. You commanded and they were created; you established them forever and ever. Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds all praise you. Young men and women alike, old and young together exalt your name. Your glory is above earth and heaven and yet you have chosen to live amongst us. We praise the name of God. We praise the name of Jesus of Nazareth. Let us raise our voices in song.

***OPENING HYMN #83**

"There's Something About That Name"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Jesus our Lord came into an indifferent world, yet his life revealed the inner thoughts of many. Let us confess our sins before God and one another that we may find release from our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

God our Father, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, and to reveal your love for all people. Jesus is the example for how we should serve others. We confess that we do not always serve others in all that we do. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not reach out to welcome others into the warmth of your love. We ask your forgiveness. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and pour out the gifts of your spirit, so that we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Jesus, the Son of God, became a man and willingly gave His life that we may be saved. Because of His sacrifice we have the knowledge that we are forgiven of all our sins.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)
Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today — the voice of truth and grace. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 130: 5-8
Page 969

ANTHEM
"Joyfully Sing, Welcome the King!"
Davenport/Larson

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 2: 22-40
Pages 1591-1592

SERMON
"Waiting on God"

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

***HYMN 273**
"Good Christian Men, Rejoice"

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
"Mary Did You Know?" Lowry/Greene
***DOXOLOGY**
***OFFERING PRAYER**

***CLOSING HYMN #284**
"The Birthday of a King"

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

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

***POSTLUDE**
"Postlude on 'Antioch'" Peterson

*Please stand if you are able.