SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
November 22, 2026 11:00am
Christ the King Sunday

PRELUDE
"Give Thanks" Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS Liturgist, Luianne Potter

***RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL**

INTROIT **SEE SCREEN**
"This Is the Day"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!
People: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the nations I sing your praise.
Leader: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Tell of all his wondrous works.
People: We bow down and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and faithfulness.
Leader: Praise be to God, who provides for us in every season.
People: May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways we live and care for others.
All: To God let us all give our praise and thanks!

***OPENING PRAYER (ALL)**

Lord of bounty and blessing, we come to you this day in gratitude for all that we have been given. We are grateful for your unfailing love, for the beauty of creation, and for the gift of family, friends, and this church community. As we gather together in your presence, open our eyes to see your goodness, open our hearts to praise you, and equip us to be a blessing to others. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN #790**

"We Gather Together"

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

With sincere and repentant hearts, let us name our sins against Christ and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Our gracious Lord, even as we have done it unto one of the least of these, your children, we have done it unto you. When they hunger and thirst, we are not quick to offer them the bread of life and the cup of salvation. When they are outcast or imprisoned, we seldom go out of our way to visit them. When they are sick or alone, we are not quick to keep vigil at their side. We know you are in our midst and wait our response. Forgive us when we do not go out of our way to be there for you. Guide us, shepherd us, prod us to be more fully like you as we relate to one another and the rest of the world.

Moment for silent prayer and reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Paul reminds us that God raised Jesus Christ from the dead and seated him at God's right hand in the heavenly places and has put all things under his feet. With Christ thus seated, there to intercede on our behalf, we can dwell with the assurance that in him we are forgiven!

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

***THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)

Holy God, open your Word. Give us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, that our eyes may be enlightened and we may know the hope to which we have been called; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Psalm 103
Pages 939-940

ANTHEM

"Thank You, Lord" Winer/Dunbar

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3: 15-17
Page 1835

SERMON

"Five Kernels of Gratitude"

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

***HYMN #139**
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER
RESPONSE TO PRAYERS #641
"Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY
"Meditation on 'For the Beauty of the Earth'" Scott
DOXOLOGY
OFFERING PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN #786**
"Count Your Blessings"

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE **SEE SCREEN**

***POSTLUDE**
"The Thankful Heart Rejoices" Broughton

*Please stand, if you are able.

The flowers on the organ are given in loving memory of Tom Ford by Patricia Kefauver.