

# SLATE RIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 7, 2024 11:00am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Reverend Carroll Fitzgerald

## PRELUDE

“God and the Nation”

arr. Scriveyner

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*RINGING OF THE TOWER BELL

### \*INTROIT #179

SEE SCREEN

“Awesome God” (Chorus)

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*(borrowed from the Presbyterian Mission Agency)*

Leader: The earth is the Lord’s,

**People: And the fullness thereof.**

Leader: God alone is our sovereign

**People: To whom all bow in allegiance.**

**All: Come, let us worship the Lord, Our God, the  
Ruler of all nations.**

### \*OPENING PRAYER

(ALL)

Lord, thank you for the privilege of living in this great country where we have freedom to openly worship you. May we never take that privilege for granted, but always guard it and treasure it. May we not live in apathy to you; but live in awe of your love and forgiveness freely poured out for us.

*Continued*

**Allow our light to shine brightly as our hearts turn to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #359**

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Threats to life pierce us and cause us to doubt God's love. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Let us confess our sins and receive new life.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**(ALL)**

**O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all. Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.**

*Moment for silent prayer and reflection*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. The God of mercy forgives us all our sins, strengthens us in all goodness; and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, keeps us in eternal life. In Christ Jesus we are forgiven!

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

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI #812**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (ALL)**

**Living God, help us to hear your holy Word, as read and proclaimed, that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe; and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience; seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE** Psalm 33: 10-12  
Page 870

**NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE** 1 Timothy 2: 1-4  
Page 1846

**SERMON**

**“Let Jesus Lead the Way”**

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH** back of hymnal  
**“The Apostles Creed”**

**\*HYMN #446**

**“We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”**

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**RESPONSE TO PRAYERS #641**

**PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Miller/Jackson

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*OFFERING PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #799**

"America, the Beautiful"

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Amen, Amen”

*Spiritual*, Hairston

**\*POSTLUDE**

“God Bless Our Land”

Smith

\*Please stand, if you are able.