

FRIENDS FOREVER by Rev. Terry Martinson
FIRST CHURCH IN PEMBROKE
AUGUST 30, 2020

PRELUDE

MEDITATION PRAYER*

Bounteous God, increase our faith as we gather as your people Pour forth your love upon us and shower us with gifts of the Spirit. In our turning to you, grace use this hour with your abounding love, joy, peace, and patience. Fill us with kindness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Strengthened in faith, may we share your generosity with all the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Let us sing a hymn in unison,
For we are not many, but one.
Let us praise God in harmony,
For we are not one, but many.

Members are we, one of another, the body of Christ, the people of God.

Let our melody rise as if from one voice, while the chorus swells from each mouth of creation.

HYMN ***Holy, Holy, Holy***

Children's Moment

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING **John 15:9-17**

SERMON ***FRIENDS FOREVER***

HYMN ***What a Friend We Have In Jesus***

OFFERTORY INVITATION*

God calls upon us to love one another as God loves us. Even as God has abundantly blessed us with all good things, let us bless others through gifts that show we care.

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

God of power, the glory of your work fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN ***Lord, Speak to Me***

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE