

First Church in Pembroke

May 16, 2021 10:00 AM

Order of Worship

PRELUDE *Day by Day*

MEDITATION PRAYER

Most Holy God, your majesty is exceeded only by your love;
grant us, in this our worship of you,
penitence in the presence of your holiness,
reverence at the thought of your majesty,
and confidence in the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALL TO CONTEMPLATION *Be Thou My Vision (Christ Be My Leader)*

CALL TO WORSHIP*

In the presence of God –

Toes tap to some heavenly chorus,

Tears emerge from a hidden ache,

Silence descends like a gentle mist.

Joy ascends like a rocket in the sky.

God is here –

Glad hearts are refreshed,

Sorrowing hearts find comfort,

Broken hearts discover healing,

Searching hearts find home.

Here in the presence of God,

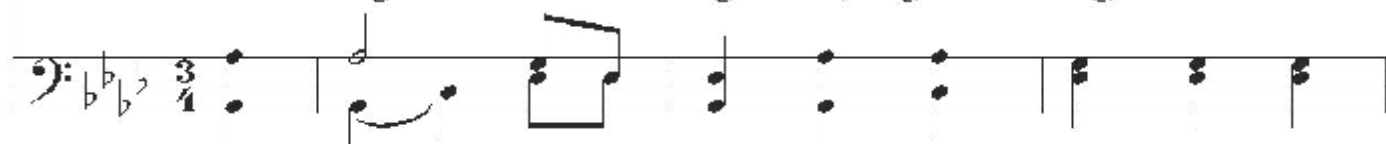
We are made whole and sing our joyful songs of praise.

HYMN *To God Be the Glory*

To God Be the Glory



1. To God be the glo - ry— great things he hath
 2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of
 3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath



done! So loved he the world that he gave us his
 blood! To ev - 'ry be - liev - er, the prom - ise of
 done, And great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the



Son. Who yield - ed his life, an a - tone - ment for
 God; The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be -
 Son; But pur - er and high - er and great - er will



sin, And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
 lieves, That mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
 be Our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his

voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo - ple re -

joice! O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus, the

Son, and give him the glo - ry—great things he hath done!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

Surprising and persistent God, You never give up on us. You seek us, follow us, call us. We cannot escape from your yearning for us, and only when we turn to

You do we find the sweetness of life, the reason for living, an ever-flowing fountain of joy. Thank you for your amazing grace that surprises us, comforts us and renews us. Give us hearts of gratitude, and forever let us sing your praise. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 17:1-11

SERMON

THE LAST LECTURE

Rev. Terry Martinson

HYMN

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge, take it to the Lord in prayer.

Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear.
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do your friends de - spise, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

OFFERTORY INVITATION* <

Whatever your task, do it
wholeheartedly, as to God:

In teaching, give all you have;

In speaking, stir to the depths;

In giving, share liberally;

In helping, do so cheerfully.

Contribute to the needs of God's people,
and practice hospitality.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE TO PRAYER

The Croyden Amen

HYMN *Lord of All Hopefulness*

LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS

SLANE



1. Lord of all hope-ful-ness, Lord of all joy, Whose
2. Lord of all ea-ger-ness, Lord of all faith, Whose
3. Lord of all kind-li-ness, Lord of all grace, Your
4. Lord of all gen-tle-ness, Lord of all calm, Whose



1. trust, ev-er child-like, no cares can de-stroy, Be
2. strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe, Be
3. hands swift to wel-come, your arms to em-brace, Be
4. voice is con-tent-ment, whose pres-ence is balm, Be



1. there at our wak-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
2. there at our la-bors, and give us, we pray, Your
3. there at our hom-ing, and give us, we pray, Your
4. there at our sleep-ing, and give us, we pray, Your



1. bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
3. love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
4. peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God of Grace