Bulletin OOW First Church in Pembroke Sunday November 12th 2023

PRELUDE:

MEDITATION PRAYER

"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. The Lord redeems our lives from destruction, and crowns us with his loving-kindness and tender mercies." (Psalm 103:1&4)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meet & Greet:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: Arise my people! Arise, and give God the praise he deserves for sparing our lives for yet another day and another Sunday.

C: As believing Christians and friends we realize that there is no price that can be paid for the ability to breathe in and to breathe out freely and independently.

P: God's 'ruah' flows through our nostrils, and as living souls we were born to praise him!

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P: Priceless is the love of God towards us! Priceless are his patience and grace towards the children of men!

C: Lord, how can we say "Thank You?" As a congregation we stand in awe, and we will all take a bow to the One who is, who was, and is to come.

ALL: Mighty are the works of God! Mighty is the One who keeps all the celestial bodies in their place by the power of his hands. Mercy and truth are the scepter of his righteousness forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN: R#93 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

God spoke to Job out of a whirlwind and said:" Where were you when I laid the foundations of

this earth? Do you know how I fastened the foundations of the earth and laid its cornerstone? Were you there on the morning of creation when I birthed the first morning and commanded all mornings to come henceforth, and caused the day-spring to know its place? Declare unto me if you were there and know how I did these things?

Father, we are humbled by your conversation with Job, and we realize that from everlasting to everlasting you are God and there is none other! Inspire us to be true believers of your word and encourage us to stand firm, and to the stand for the right by trusting in your holy name. We invite your presence among us this day and pray that you will open our spiritual eyes and ears to see and hear you. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Jude 1:3-9

SERMON: 'Great oaks from small acorns grow!' (by Minister Miriam Theodore)

HYMN: #327 (Red Hymnal) "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

OFFERTORY INVITATION: Isaiah 66:23

"And it shall come to pass that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, says the Lord."

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSICAL RESPONSE

CLOSING HYMN: #228 (Red Hymnal) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: