# **Sunday Service OOW First Church in Pembroke**

Sunday November 19th 2023

## PRELUDE:

#### **MEDITATION PRAYER**

"It is the glory of God to conceal a thing, but the honor of kings is to search out a matter. The heavens for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings are unsearchable. Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the refiner." (Proverbs 25:2-4)

## **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### Meet & Greet:

## **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

P: Sing the songs of triumph! Sing with much adoration and tempo to the One who continues to intercede for us every day.

C: As Christians, we know not the hour of our Lord's re-appearing, but we are advised to occupy until he returns to be reunited with us his children.

P: So let us continue to sing about the excellence of the Lord! Let us acknowledge his majesty and his remarkable grace.

C: As Christians, we know not the hour of our Lord's re-appearing, but we are advised to occupy until he returns to be reunited with us his children.

P: Let our praises to God saturate this holy place and cause the enemy to tremble! Let the name of God be exalted and may his blessings rain on us bountifully.

C: As Christians, we know not the hour of our Lord's re-appearing, but we are advised to occupy until he returns to be reunited with us his children.

ALL: We are favored by the Lord! We are his masterpiece, his love and faithful representatives in the world. Amen

**OPENING HYMN:** #4 (Black Hymnal) "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

Father and Creator,

There is no word in the Hebrew language for 'coincidence.' As the God of the Hebrews and God of all people our adoration of your name was predestined since the onset of creation! You have called us to reverence, and you have called us to reflect on your humility and abiding love. Today as we reflect on the giving for stewardship, let us realize that you first loved us and gave in love. Incite our minds to follow the pattern of your giving so that we too can be great stewards of your harvest in heaven. Let the love of your Light shine in our hearts as we prepare to be great stewards of your ministry here on earth. Give us a new heart and a new soul to continue singing your praises now forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Chronicles 29:1-9

**SERMON:** "David's Appealing Exhortation" by Rev. Miriam Theodore

HYMN: R#342 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

# **OFFERTORY: Ecclesiastes 11:1-2**

"Cast thy bread upon the waters; and you shall find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, and also to eight, for you know not what evil shall be upon the earth."

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**MUSICAL RESPONSE** 

CLOSING HYMN: R#77 "Be Still, My Soul"

**BENEDICTION:** 

**POSTLUDE:**