

Order Of Worship
First Church in Pembroke
Sunday February 4th 2024

PRELUDE:

MEDITATION PRAYER:

“Now to him that is of power to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith. (Romans 16:25-26)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meet & Greet:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: His name and his voice are commanding! He speaks and all eternity hearkens to the sound of his voice.

C: It is a voice that is reverberating, and one that is melodious and enchanting! Surely, let the greatness of God be magnified all around us!

P: The towering mountains and all the creatures of the forest obey him, because they too can identify, and they know full well the presence of the Lord.

C: Truly, I tell you that his voice is reverberating, melodious and enchanting; and today we as a church pay obeisance to his gentle voice.

P: We who have ears to hear, let us hear! To those who are hearing-impaired, by Divine inspiration may they also feel and hear the voice of the Lord!

C: Let God' greatness continue to be absolute! He has put his words in our mouths, for indeed, we are his people too!

ALL: God will plead our cause! The Holy One from Mount Paran is in our midst! Therefore, Blessed be God forever! Amen

HYMN: R#19 Praise the Lord, His Glories Show

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

In the stillness of the early morning, may we be at peace. In the hustle of the day, may we seek peace; and when we calm our souls at night, may we hear **Peace!** Like a Good Shepherd Jesus continues to guide his children leading them all the way by his tender voice and great light! Jesus said: “My sheep

hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will be able to pluck them out of my hands.” Father, these are wonderful words that strum on the ventricles of our hearts, because we believe in you the One True God! Incite our minds to keep shining for you until we see you face to face some sweet day. Amen. (Excerpt from John 10:27-28)

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 4:12-17

**SERMON: “Capernaum! Turn on your Lamplight!”
by Rev. Miriam Theodore**

HYMN R#288 “Let Us Break Bread Together”

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

With grateful hearts we praise you O God, for your great goodness in the gift of Christ. Through sacred memory, Christ has come to us and fed us at this table. Strengthen us by your grace to fellowship with Christ each day. Stir us to share Christ's cross in daily sacrificial service. Amen

OFFERTORY: (1 Corinthians 3:7-8)

“I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. So, then, neither is he that plants anything, neither he that waters, but God that giveth the increase.”

DOXOLOGY:

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER:

PASTORAL PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

CLOSING HYMN: #570 (Black Hymnal) “We Shall Overcome”

BENEDICTION:

POSTLUDE: