

First Church in Pembroke

Order Of Worship

Sunday April 14th, 2024

2nd Sunday after Easter

PRELUDE:

MEDITATION PRAYER:

“Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever, therefore, resists the power, resists the ordinance of God; and they that resist shall receive to themselves judgment. (Romans 13:1-2)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meet & Greet:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

P: Spring-time in glory means forever young and forever vibrant, because the glory of God will forever be our robes of righteousness.

C: Spring-time means a season of newness and joy, a season of new aroma and tranquility that God himself ordained as an added bonus to his wonderful and artistic creation of this world!

P: With a Blue-print like none other, God spoke and created all things to perfection!

C: Father, as we look around to inhale the newness of this spring-time morning, may we always remember to take a nod in honor of your greatness.

P: Let there be a sense of calmness transfused into our spirits oh Lord! Let us taste and see that you are oh so good!

C: Let the sunshine of the season rejuvenate our souls, and may we always be thankful to awake to the freshness of the mornings.

ALL: The animals give thanks in their own ways, and the butterflies flutter with glee, for they know that all of God's creation are bright and beautiful! Amen.

OPENING HYMN: #31 (Black Hymnal) “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handy-work.” The towering mountains, the trees and majestic waterfalls are all

attributes of the Creator God. This morning as we stand as a united congregation to praise Your holy name may your presence be our present and take-away of the day. With weltering eyes of contentment may you whisper in our ears the love you have for us. Let your whispering words be so audible that even the hearing impaired can smile at your voice! May your blessings encapsulate our lives today and always, in the name of Jesus. Amen. (Excerpts from Psalm 19:1)

CALL TO PRAISE:

GLORIA PATRI:

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN:

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2:17-21

SERMON: 'Planetary Wonders Sounding-off on God's Impending Return' (by Rev. Miriam Theodore)

HYMN: #425 (Black Hymnal) “For the Fruit of All Creation”

OFFERTORY INVITATION: (Psalm 42:1-2)

“As the hart pants after the water brooks, so pants our souls after thee, O God. Our souls thirst for God, for the Living God; when shall we come to appear before God?”

DOXOLOGY:

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER:

PASTORAL PRAYER:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

MUSICAL RESPONSE:

CLOSING HYMN: #423 (Black Hymnal) “Great Is Your Faithfulness”

BENEDICTION: May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from the other. Amen.

POSTLUDE: