

**Sunday Service**  
**First Church In Pembroke**  
Sunday June 9, 2024

**PRELUDE:**

**MEDITATION PRAYER:**

“And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled; But the Lord of Hosts shall be exalted in justice, and God, who is holy, shall be sanctified in righteousness.” (Isaiah 5:14-15)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Meet & Greet:**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

P: This morning, let us lift up our eyes unto the heavens because this is the place where our Help lives! **(it is missing)**

**C: Our Hope and Help is the Lord who made the heavens and the earth.**

P: Our Help will not cause our feet to stumble, nor will He allow us to dash our feet against a stone.

**C: From days of old to present times, it is written that the God who keeps Israel never slumbers, and He never sleeps.**

P: This Wonderful Helper is our keeper and is always willing to become our shade in the blazing sun.

**C: This great and mighty God continues to preserve our going out and our coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore!**

P: Therefore, in our distress, let us lift our hands to the heavens and let us praise Him!

**C: We will not fear the sharp arrows of the mighty, nor the coals of fire that is set for us, because our Lord will turn the arrows into angels of mercy and the coals of fire into beauty for ashes.**

**ALL: May the God of peace prevail and may all that is within us praise his holy name! Amen.** (Excerpts from Psalm 121)

**HYMN: B#4 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You”**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION:**

When Peter saw how God had transformed and accepted a Gentile to serve him, it was only then that Peter understood that God's love is vast and welcomes all! Peter said: “Of a truth I perceive that

God is no respecter of persons.” Father, as we seek your presence among us this morning, may our eyes be opened to your grace and love for all people. In your kingdom you have leveled the playing field and made us all equal heirs! As we bide our time here on earth, open our hearts to humility, and open our eyes to recognize everyone as a brother or sister, and just as precious children living our daily lives trying to please God. Lord, strengthen us by your Holy Spirit, and may we continue to be your portals of mercy for as long as we live. Amen. (Excerpts from Acts 10:34)

**CALL TO PRAISE:**

**GLORIA PATRI:**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN & THOSE WHO ARE YOUNG AT HEART:**

**READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18:25**

**SERMON:**

**Human Wisdom Contrasted with God's Wisdom  
by Rev. Miriam Theodore**

**HYMN: #84 (Black Hymnal) “This Is the Day”**

**OFFERTORY INVITATION:**

“For I rejoiced greatly when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walk in the truth. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.” (III John 1:2-3)

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:**

**DOXOLOGY:**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**MUSICAL RESPONSE:**

**HYMN: B#454 “Lord, I Want To Be a Christian”**

**BENEDICTION:**

**POSTLUDE:**