

**Order Of Worship**  
**First Church in Pembroke**  
Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> 2024

**PRELUDE:**

**MEDITATION PRAYER:**

“After these things Jesus walked in Galilee; for he would not walk in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill him. Now the Jews feast of the tabernacles was at hand. His brethren, therefore, said unto him, depart from here and go into Judea, that thy disciples may see the works that you do...But when his brethren were gone up, then went he up also into the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret.” (John 7: 1-3 &10)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Meet & Greet:**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

P: Wonderful Congregation, are you in a Jesus state of mind this morning?

**C: As we lean into the knowledge of God and country, our love rings true, therefore, we are in a Jesus state of mind this morning!**

P: Wonderful Congregation, are you willing and able to set aside your differences and allow His *'mercy drops'* to fall on you this morning?

**C: May God grant us the wisdom to bring our hearts to reverence; and may His *'mercy drops'* fall on us!**

P: Wonderful Congregation, though we love our country, let us first love and cherish our God who created us and loads us daily with benefits!

**C: Without God in our lives, we are like a ship without a sail, and like a summer season with no sun, no butterflies, no flowers and no fruits!**

**ALL: But, thanks be to God who have translated us into his glory! Thanks be to God who have given us the freedom to sing and dance and has kept us in a Jesus state of mind! Amen.**

**HYMN: B#18“Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer”**

**PRAYER OF INVOCATION:**

“And Jesus said, “You ought always to pray and not to faint.” Do not pray for easy lives; pray to be stronger women and men. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers, but for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work will be no miracle--you will be the miracle. Every day you will wonder at yourself and the richness of life which has come to you by the grace of God.” Father, as we seek your presence among us, this is our prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen. (Excerpts 'from Prayers of Benediction,' #875, NCH).

**CALL TO PRAISE:**

**GLORIA PATRI:**

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

**SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 12:9-21**

**SERMON:**

**“And Jesus Said...”**

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 INVITATION:**

“By faith Moses forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; but he endured, as seeing him who is invisible...By faith they passed through the Red Sea as if it was dry land, which the Egyptians, attempted to do, and were drowned.” (Hebrews 11:27 & 29)

**DOXOLOGY:**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**A TIME OF SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN: R#496“The National Anthem” (Verse 1 only)**

**BENEDICTION:**

**POSTLUDE:**