

# *First Church in Pembroke*

## *Sunday Order of Worship*

*May 31, 2026, 10:00 A.M.*

# **“Accepting All Things With Joy”**

**By: Pastor Merrily Harris**

### **PRELUDE:**

Silent Meditation (Contemplative Music)

### **MEDITATION PRAYER:**

***Philippians 4:8 NIV***

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Congregation in BOLD

- P. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
- C. Praise God for his mercy endures forever.
- P. Praise God for his rod and his staff.
- C. Praise God for the comforter, the Holy Spirit.
- P. Praise God for this day.
- C. Praise God that we can worship in spirit and in truth.
- ALL: Praise the LORD!

### **OPENING HYMN:** (Please Stand) # 429 Red Hymnal

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

### **PRAYER OF INVOCATION: *Psalms 113 NIV***

Praise the LORD! O servants of the LORD. Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised. The LORD is high above all nations and his glory above the heavens. Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high, who looks down on the heavens and the earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. He gives the barren woman a home, making her a joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD

### **CALL TO PRAISE** (Congregation in bold)

Lift up your hearts!  
We lift them up unto the Lord.  
O Lord, open Thou our lips.  
And our mouths shall show forth Thy praise.

### GLORIA PATRI (Sung in unison)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost.  
As it was in the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING:** *Luke 1:39-57 NIV* Freda Burke

**SERMON:** “*Accepting All Things With Joy*” Pastor Merrily Harris

**HYMN:** Please Stand # 518 Black Hymnal  
“Father Almighty, Bless Us”

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** (Please speak loudly)

**A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER:**

**PASTORAL PRAYER:**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER:** (Please speak slowly)

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**MUSICAL RESPONSE:** Musical Interlude

**OFFERTORY INVITATION:** 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.” (Ushers Will Pass The Collection Plates.)

**CHOIR WILL SING FOR US:** # 66 Red Hymnal

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

**DOXOLOGY:** #515 (RED HYMNAL)

“Praise God Whom All Blessing Flow”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (Pastor)

**CLOSING HYMN:** (Please Stand) # 473 Black Hymnal Board

“Blessed Assurance”

**BENEDICTION:** (In Unison & hold hands)

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

**POSTLUDE:** (Contemplative Music)