

First Church in Pembroke Father's Day Service

June 21, 2026, 10:00 AM

“A Story of Two Sons and their Father”

By: Reverend Joy Matos

PRELUDE: Silent Meditation (Contemplative Music)

MEDITATION PRAYER: Proverbs 6:20-23

20 My son, keep your father's commands and do not forsake your mother's teaching. 21 Bind them upon your heart forever; fasten them around your neck. 22 When you walk, they will guide you; when you sleep, they will watch over you; when you awake, they will speak to you. 23 For these commands are a lamp, this teaching is a light, and the corrections of discipline are the way to life...

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: *(For any congregant, please speak loudly!)*

CALL TO WORSHIP: Congregation in BOLD

P: Praise the Lord, O my soul.

C: All my inmost being, praise his holy name.

P: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him.

C: As far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

P: As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.

ALL: Praise the Lord, O my soul.

OPENING HYMN: #483 (Green Hymnal) “The Savior is Waiting” Insert

PRAYER OF INVOCATION: (All, please speak slowly)

Heavenly Father, You have called us together as a family of faith. We honor You as the perfect Father, from whom every family receives its name. As we celebrate the fathers and father-figures among us, give them wisdom to walk with integrity, patience to nurture with love, and courage to live as faithful examples in their homes and in our church family. Pour out Your Spirit on our worship. Open our hearts to Your Word, guide our praise, and help us reflect Your unfailing love in all we do. In Your holy and precious name, we pray. Amen.

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 15:11 -24 Roger Means

SERMON: “A Story of Two Sons and their Father” Rev. Joy Matos

HYMN: #455 (Green Hymnal) “I Am a Man” Insert

SHARING OUR THANKSGIVINGS AND CONCERNS: *(Please speak loudly)*

Pastoral Prayer:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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. Lead us not into temptation, 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: # 355 (Green Hymnal) “There's a Wildness in God's Mercy”

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.

OFFERING PRAYER: Pastor Joy

CLOSING HYMN: #745 (Green Hymnal) “Rejoice in the Lord Always” Insert

BENEDICTION:

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us, Amen.

POSTLUDE: (Contemplative Music)