

First Church in Pembroke

July 26, 2026, 10:00 A.M.

“Stephen: Full of the Spirit”

By: Reverend Joy Matos

PRELUDE: Silent Meditation

Contemplative Music

MEDITATION SCRIPTURE:

Ephesians 4:1

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Congregation in BOLD

P: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;

C: Love and faithfulness go before you.

P: Blessed are those who walk in the light of your presence, O Lord.

C: They rejoice in your name all day long.

P: They exult in your righteousness.

ALL: For you are their glory and strength.

OPENING HYMN:

Please Stand

(See Hymnal Board)

PRAAYER OF INVOCATION:

(All, please speak slowly)

O Lord, as we gather this morning, help us recognize Your holy presence among us. Remind us that we are Your people, called by Your name, and that You have called us to live in holiness and righteousness, with boldness and courage. Strengthen us to stand for what is right, so that Your name may be glorified through our lives. Fill us with Your Spirit, O Lord. In Jesus' name, 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.

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 6:1-10 Roger Means

SERMON: “Stephen: Full of the Spirit” Pastor Joy

HYMN: # 602 “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” See Insert
Please Stand

SHARING OUR THANKSGIVINGS AND CONCERNS
(Please speak loudly)

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

DOXOLOGY: # 515 (Red Hymnal)
“Praise God From Whom All Blessings 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 Joy

CLOSING HYMN: Please Stand
(See Hymnal Board)

BENEDICTION: (In unison & hold hands)
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