Ministry of Music: His Eye Is On the Sparrow

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: May We but Wait

Hymn: Love Lifted Me

Benediction



I once asked a bird, how is it that you fly in this gravity of darkness? She responded, "love lifted me."

First United Church Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge May 4, 2025



"Faith is a bird that sings when the dawn is still dark"

Praise Medley: An Easter Alleluia

Called by Earth and Sky

Welcome & Announcements

"Lessons from the Birds"

Introit: Come On and Celebrate

Call to Worship:

L: Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns and yet God provides for the basic sustenance of life.

P: May our hearts be open to trust you.

L: Look at the birds in the air; they neither study nor plan nor plot their course and yet God writes the instinct for migration into their hearts.

P: May our eyes be open to see you.

L: Look at the birds of the air; they neither talk nor vote nor debate their responsibility yet God weaves them into communities which nurture and defend.

P: May our hands be open to serve you.

<u>Opening Prayer:</u> Lord, You are the great provider. Thank you for supplying our needs according to Your riches and glory. We are so dependent upon You and grateful for Your amazing provision in our lives. You not only provide for us physically and materially, but also for our spiritual lives and for all these, we are grateful. Every gift, every talent, every creative thought and every good thing comes from you. Help us to be persistent in our prayers for our daily needs. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hymn: This is God's Wondrous World **VU 296**



<u>Prayer of Confession:</u> Loving Father, I confess that I find it quite easy to worry, but I realise this is foolishness and a demonstration of my lack of faith in Your great and precious promises. Thank You for giving

me the example of the little birds who simply rely on Your loving provision and protection. May I rest in Your love, knowing that You will provide for all my needs according to Your riches in glory. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

<u>Assurance of Pardon:</u> Jesus knows our every weakness, and loves us still. Awaken to the promise of Christ's amazing grace.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

Hymn: I'm a Miracle

Offertory Hymn: God of the Sparrow VU 229 vs 1,6

Offertory Prayer: (in unison) Over and over Your grace sustains us, over and over Your love provides for us, over and over Your arm steadies us. We give You these gifts, with gratitude and joy, thankful that You are God over all. Amen

Hymn: God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall

