

**First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge
February 1st, 2026**

Praise Medley: Since Jesus Came into My Heart
Be Thou My Vision

Greeting and Welcome

Announcements

Introit: Take Up His Song

Call to Worship:

In the celebrations of life, and in the inspirations of the heart, we are nurtured and uplifted.

**Let us gather to seek new life, to welcome renewed vision,
to find new hope.**

Gathering Prayer: (unison)

Wondrous God: you touch our lives with healing and with justice; new life is your gift. We praise you for the good news which is ours through Jesus Christ. May this time of worship nourish us with your promise of meaning and purpose. May we be empowered to carry your goodness into the coming week. We pray in Jesus' name, our Source and our Saviour. Amen.

Opening Hymn: Challenged and Chosen

A Time of Confession:

Beloved in Christ, we come before God as we truly are - people who long to walk in the way of Jesus, yet who stumble in weakness and wander in distraction. Let us confess our shortcomings, our missed opportunities for kindness, and the moments when fear has silenced our compassion.

O God, who believes in people, who believes in us and can make all things new: Forgive us for misusing your good gifts. Forgive us for opportunities neglected, half-truths accepted, the enjoyment of cynicism, hasty judgments, tardiness of love. Preserve us from the unkind word, the unsympathetic heart, the unbridled ambition. Purify us and set us once again upon the path where life flows deep and pure and true....(silent reflection)

God calls us to repent, to put right the harm we have done.
God calls us to put behind us our sin and begin anew.

Thanks be to our merciful God! Amen!

Minute for Mission

Call to Offering: (unison)

We gather today not only to worship with our words and prayers, but also to respond with grateful hearts. As we bring our gifts, we remember that giving is an act of faith – a way of participating in God's work of love, justice, and compassion in the world.

Offertory Hymn: God of the Sparrow VU 229 vs 3,6

Offertory Prayer: (unison)

O God, as your Spirit hovered over the waters on the first day of creation, and as your Spirit descended on the day Jesus was baptized, may your Spirit be present in these gifts that are given here today, so that your goodness might continue to be known in the world. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Micah 6:1-8

Psalm 15 (VU p. 736)

Matthew 5:1-12

Hymn: My Faith Looks Up to Thee VU 663

Meditation

Ministry of Music

Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn: We Gather Here VU 469

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion

Hymn: Grace Alone

Blessing