

First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge
September 27th, 2026

Praise Medley: The Church in the Wildwood
Alive, Alive

Greeting:

This is the day that God has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Announcements

Introit: Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary

Call to Worship:

God has called us here.

No matter who we are, when we arrive, we all belong.

We are individuals coming to worship, each on our own faith journey.

We are a community coming to worship, all of us journeying together.

God has called us here.

No matter who we are, when we arrive let us be one as we worship.

Prayer of Approach: (unison)

O God, you draw us from many places and many directions. We bring before you a variety of experiences as broad as your world. Yet, what we hold in common, our faith in you, is stronger than any other force. Increase our faith, that it may unite us in heart and soul and action. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Come to My Heart **VU 661**

Time for All Ages

Prayer of Confession:

God of overflowing grace, help us.

When we think we are worthless, remind us of our value. When we think others are worthless, remind us of their value.

God of overflowing grace, help us.

Help us to accept the gifts you give us, and to offer them for your glory. Each one of us is special and unique and full of talents and gifts to share. Yet we do not always recognize that in ourselves, or in others.

God of overflowing grace, help us.

Help us reach a person's worth as your children and not judge others by their work or their wealth. Help us to remember that you love the first and the last and all those in between.

God of overflowing grace, help us.

Help us to share the riches of your world with one another, freely and fairly. We pray in Jesus' name.
(Silent reflection)

Words of Assurance:

Know that God showers grace upon all people - the first and the last and all those in between. So be assured that, whenever you turn to God, you are given a full share of the grace and makes us new again.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Hymn: My Soul Cries Out

Offering: Count Your Blessings

Offertory Prayer: (unison)

We are called to follow, yet are often slow to respond, God of grace. We are blessed with more than we ever need or can ever use, yet we are reluctant to part with even a

portion of this abundance. As we offer our gifts to you, remind us that learning generosity is part of our call to follow the One who models your gracious nature in every word, every gesture, every day. Amen.

Scripture Readings:

Romans 8:18-27

Psalm 18:6-19

Matthew 3:13–4:2

Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign **VU 330**

Meditation

Ministry of Music

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: Take, O Take Me as I Am

Hymn: You Shall Go Out With Joy/ Halle, Halle, Halle

VU 884/958

Benediction