

**First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge**

**June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - Led by Tony Tuck**

**Praise Medley:** Sometimes Alleluia, I Have Decided to Follow Jesus,  
I Have Called You By Your Name, Sing a New Song

**Greeting and Announcements**

**Introit:** Open Our Eyes

**Call to Worship:**

With morning voices and open hearts, we come to rejoice in the  
Lord Our God.

**Because God's steadfast love fills the earth.**

Because by God's word, the heavens, the seas and the earth were  
formed.

**We stand in awe before God.**

Happy is the land whose God is the Lord

**Happy are we. Chosen to be God's own.**

**Opening Prayer:** (in unison)

**Holy Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, your work is done in  
faithfulness. The earth is full of your steadfast love. Thank you  
for your presence among us, not only here in this sanctuary, but  
in every moment of our lives. We celebrate the ways in which  
you challenge us. Thank you for standing securely in our midst,  
even when we face those challenges. Hear us today as we find  
joy in offering you our praise. For you are the one God, in whom  
we live and love with all our hearts. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn:** Come, We That Love **VU 714**

**Moment in Time**

**Prayer of Confession:** (in unison)

**Holy God, we ask for your guidance and presence, so that we  
can amend our lives, and grow more each day into the image of  
Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. That it is easier**

**to lock the doors to our community, then it is to receive those  
who don't look like we do, love like we love, live like we live. We  
confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant  
life and unconditional love. We ask that you help give us the  
courage to change, that you help us to live with your love to be a  
better person. That you be with us, to guide us to be your people  
in all that we say and do. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance:**

Hear this good news and see the Grace of God, you are forgiven, you  
are free to go and live in the light of Love. God loves us, each and  
every one of us.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Offertory:** Spirit Open, Open My Heart

**Offertory Prayer:** (in unison)

**Gracious and loving God, we give you thanks for the wonderful  
and plentiful blessings you give to us. We offer to you and to our  
church our time, talent, and wealth, no matter the size. May we  
use them wisely, share them generously, and offer them kindly.  
In the name of Jesus, our great teacher. Amen.**

**Scripture Readings:** Genesis 12:1-9  
Psalm 33 **VU pg 760**  
Romans 4:13-25

**Hymn:** Faith of Our Fathers **VU 580**

**Meditation**

**Ministry of Music:** He Put a New Song In My Heart

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer**

**Prayer Response:** Alleluia

**Hymn:** We Are Marching/One More Step **VU 646/639**

**Benediction**