First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge June 25th, 2023

Praise Medley: My Love Colors Outside the Lines, Heavenly Sunlight, Shout to the North, Let Us Build a House

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Introit: Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary

Call to Worship:

As we gather together today to celebrate the many joys of familyhood,

God give us strength.

To reminisce of memories of loved ones in our family units that have passed,

God give us patience.

To help us work through the trying times that comes with being a family,

God give us wisdom.

To always accept those around us,

God give us hope.

That we may continue to come closer to one another and to you as we worship today,

Let us worship together, Amen.

Opening Prayer:

Creator, who greets us every day in the light of dawn. Holy Spirit we can see in whatever direction we turn, any place we are.

We give thee thanks!

God of Earth and Sky, because we are Christian, we call you Father, Mother, Brother, Sister, Sibling, Love, Truth, The Way, The Road, Friend, Teacher, Co-worker; - our God, in whom we trust.

That your will be done, help us draw the circle wide!

Beloved one, who fuels the spirited-energy we receive from one another when we gather together in this place,

Help us build "a house" where love can dwell and all can safely live. In your many names we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Morning Has Broken VU 409

Offertory: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow VU 541

Offertory Prayer:

Creator, we thank you for the many blessings you have given us. We thank you for the blessing of family you have bestowed unto us through many different lenses. As we gather here today, please help us to ensure we are continually giving with generous and joyful hearts. Allow our blessings to be a blessing unto others. Amen.

Hymn: I Feel the Winds of God VU 625

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings: Psalm 91 VU Page 807 1 John 4: 7-16

Hymn: Come In, Come In and Sit Down VU 395

Meditation

Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: Lord Listen to Your Children Praying

Hymn: Shine Jesus Shine

Benediction

Grace