

**First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge
June 4, 2023 - Trinity Sunday**

Praise Medley: Trust and Obey, God of the Bible, My Hands
Belong to You Lord, Jump for Joy

Greeting and Announcements

Introit: Follow Me, Follow Me

Call to Worship:

We have come to worship God, whose spirit moved over the
waters of creation and brought forth our world.

God is great!

We have come to worship God, who came to earth in Jesus as
a tiny baby and died on a cross, and rose again.

God is great!

We have come to worship God, who is close to us and loves us
like a mother and a father.

God is great!

Opening Prayer:

**Creator, you have made us and all living things – birds and
animals, grass and trees the crow and the bear the mighty
cedar and sweet grass. You created us, in your image, and
you blessed us as caretakers of the earth. Help us to
remember our special relationship with you and with all of
creation. Amen.**

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy **VU 315**

Moment in Time

Prayer of Confession:

**Jesus said, “I came not to be served but to be a servant.”
We know this is an example we are called to follow and yet
we so often find it difficult. We want to be served; we want
to be important; we want to have our needs met. Forgive
us, loving God. Stretch us. Open our hearts to experience**

**and celebrate the true joy that comes from serving others.
Draw out from us a desire to be a part of a serving
community, where each of us shares a concern for the
needs of each other, and none are forgotten.**

(silent reflection)

Words of Affirmation:

God has made us – all of us. And God loves us – all of us – as if
we were God’s favourite. So be assured that, as you seek to
realign your hearts with God’s, you are forgiven, and loved
unconditionally.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Offering: All That We Have

Offertory Prayer:

**It is humbling to bring a gift to you, gracious God, aware as
we are of how you have created all things and given us all
that we have. Yet in returning a portion to your church, we
recognize that united we are greater than when we are
individuals, and our gifts – shared together – can do good
work. Amen.**

Scripture Readings:

Genesis 1:1—2:4a
Matthew 28:16–20

Hymn: It's A Song of Praise for the Maker

Meditation

Ministry of Music: Truth I'm Standing On

Hymn: We Gather Here **VU 469**

Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Hymn: Make Me A Channel of Your Peace **VU 684**

Benediction