

First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge
July 9th, 2023

Praise Medley: Revive Us Again, Thank You Lord, As the
Deer, Come Now is the Time to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: Dance With The Spirit

Call to Worship:

God invites us to venture into unknown places.

We can do that, for we know that God goes with us.

We trust, we dare, we follow.

Jesus calls us to take his yoke upon us, and learn from him.

We can do that, for Jesus also says, “if you are tired; come to me, and I will refresh you.” We trust, we dare, we follow.

Let us worship God,

Who challenges us, and who comforts us.

We trust, we dare, we follow.

Opening Prayer:

Jesus has invited us to come to him and receive a yoke that fits us well, that leads and guides us in your ways. Loving God, may we step forward... May we step forward boldly and with trust, assured that you care for us deeply and wonderfully. Amen.

Hymn: Will You Come and Follow Me **VU 567**

Prayer of Confession and Pardon:

Sometimes, our lives seem out of control. We know what to do...

But we just don't do it.

We are torn between doing what's right, and doing what's popular. We know what to do.

But we just don't do it.

Other times, we hide from doing what is right, hoping God won't

notice.

So we can rejoice, knowing that God also forgives us and gives us strength to begin anew.

Thanks be to God! Amen

Offering

Offertory Prayer:

We bring these gifts to you, gracious Creator. They come from the labour of our hands and the love of our hearts.

Use them to do your work, we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Scripture Readings: Zechariah 9:9-12
 Psalm 145 **page 866 of VU**
 Romans 7:15–25a
 Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

Hymn: Take My Life and Let It Be **VU 506**

Meditation

Ministry of Music

Hymn: Walk With Me **VU 649**

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: Maranatha

Hymn: Will Your Anchor Hold **VU 675**

Benediction