First United Church, Mount Pearl Pastoral Charge Sunday, November 24th, 2024

Praise Medley: Down In My Heart, Shine Jesus Shine

Greetings and Announcements

Introit: Beautiful

Call to Worship:

May the Rock of our lives be with you!

And also with you!

People of God, open your hearts to the One who loves us.

We will not turn away from the God of grace.

God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

We have chosen to be here, where God remembers us.

Prayer of Approach: (unison)

Almighty God, from the beginning of time to the end of eternity, you have chosen to use your power and majesty to love us, to redeem us, to shape us as your people. May your power enflame us with your peace; may your peace touch us with your grace; may your grace fill us with your hope; may your hope lead us into your Kingdom. Holy in One, may your word be on our lips, as we worship you today. Amen.

Hymn: Take Time to Be Holy **VU 672**

A Time for All People

The Right Fit: 'In the Time That You Gave Me'

Prayer of Confession: (unison)

The choices we make, Mighty God, reveal who we are. Choosing the lies of the world, your Word has not been on our lips. Choosing independent and isolated lives, we do not reflect your Spirit in our actions towards others. Choosing to exalt the powerful of our day, we are unable to

follow the One whose weakness gives us life. Forgive us, God who became weak for our sake. Do not turn your face from us, but help us

to face ourselves honestly. Free us from our captivity, so we may faithfully follow Jesus Christ, our King, our Lord, our Saviour. (Silent Reflection)

Assurance of Pardon:

Shout for joy, children of God! The God who was and is and is to come, loves you, forgives you and renews you.

God's Spirit rests upon us, grace and peace are the gifts of our loving God. Amen.

The Right Fit: 'The Lighthouse'

Offertory Hymn: All That We Have

Offertory Prayer: (unison)

As we offer our gifts in this moment to you, Holy God, we pray that they might be used to bring hope, to bring healing, to bring new life to all your people. In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

Scripture Readings:

Hebrew Scriptures: 2 Samuel 23:1-7 Psalm 132 **VU 854-855** Part One Epistle Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8 Gospel Lesson: John 18:33-37

Hymn: Our God Reigns

Meditation

Ministry of Music: 'Lord, I Hope This Day Is Good'

(The Right Fit)

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response: Alleluia

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

Commission and Benediction:

Let us go forth to serve God's children in weakness, so others might find the strength to live.

God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

Let us go forth as powerless as Jesus, to empower others with hope.

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Let us go forth with our arms full of the Spirit's peace, so the world might be healed of all its brokenness.

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