

Prelude

Welcome

Entry of the Bible (*please stand if you are able*)

Call to Worship:

O People of God, what is the meaning of life?

I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and do good while they live. (Ecclesiastes 3:12)

Then come to learn happiness, come to learn goodness.

Fill us, O Lord, with all that we need!

Let us Worship the Lord who lifts our spirits and strengthens our hands,

Let us worship the God who saves us! Hallelujah!

Hymn # 730 – Oh for a world where everyone

Prayer of Approach

Unison Prayer of Confession:

Lord, I confess my unhappiness.

Surrounded by plenty, I feel the sting of what I lack

I curse the sunshine in these dark days,

I struggle to find joy.

I confess the good I have not done,

I make excuses for myself,

and aim for the average.

Lord, save me from the path I tread,

pour out your grace on me freely,

and reshape how I see the world.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts

as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

“Passing of the Peace” ~ a time to welcome each other

**Dedication of Memorial Leaves ~
In memory of Edith and Bill Peach**

Children’s Hymn # 648 – I’m gonna live so God can use me

Children’s Time and Prayer

Scripture Readings:

Ecclesiastes 1:1-11	<i>pp.</i> 994
Psalms 1 (responsive)	<i>pp.</i> 803
Luke 4:1-13	<i>pp.</i> 1529
Romans 15:1-13	<i>pp.</i> 1692

Sermon: “Ecclesiastes, Bell Island, and the Meaning of Life”

Hymn # 1 – How blest are they who, fearing God

Collection of Offering

Doxology Hymn #79

Offering Prayer of Dedication

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn # 732 – O day of peace that dimly shines

Benediction

Postlude