

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

130 Cornwallis Ave, New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, February 12, 2017 – 11:00 am

Epiphany 6

*** Please rise in body and/or spirit**

Music as We Gather

Gathering

*** Clergy and Choir Enter**

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles

*** Introit (All):** "Spirit of Life" VU #381

*** Call to Worship:**

One: We are called to turn the other cheek.

All: We will seek to be vulnerable in our lives of faith and service.

One: We are called to go the extra mile.

All: We will be with those around us in the journeys of hope as well as fear.

One: We are called to love those who make that so hard.

All: We will rely on the One who loves us to fill us with that special grace.

*** Hymn:** "We Are Pilgrims" VU #595

Prayer of Invocation:

Welcoming God, we have come to this place, this time of worship, knowing that it is you who makes us worthy to be here. We ask that you enter our hearts so that we may know your love. Teach us to love you and love each other. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Listening

Minute for Mission

Children's Hymn: "Over My Head" MV #88

Children's Focus

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Readings: Psalm 119 part 3 VU p. 839
Matthew 5: 38-48

Anthem: "A Loving Heart"

Sermon: Have A Heart!

Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me" VU #365

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

*** Offertory:** "Grant Us, God, the Grace" VU #540

Prayer of Dedication:

Loving God, may these gifts, given gratefully, be brought to life through the power of your Spirit. Multiply and use them to bring the word and the love of Jesus to your people in this place and throughout the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People

*** Hymn of Dismissal:** "It Only Takes a Spark" VU #289

*** Commissioning:**

One: God teaches us to love, even imperfect people like ourselves.

All: We go to love those all around us.

One: God would teach us to deny ourselves, even walking the extra mile with us.

All: We will seek give ourselves to others as generously as Jesus has been given to us.

One: Amen.

All: Amen.

*** Choral Closing: (All)** VU p. 961

Music as We Depart