

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

February 26, 2017, 9:00 am

Transfiguration Sunday

Welcome & News of the Community

Music:

“We Have Come”

VU #104

We have come at Christ's own bidding
to this high and holy place,
where we wait with hope and longing
for some token of God's grace.
Here we pray for new assurance
that our faith is not in vain,
searching like those first disciples
for a sign both clear and plain.

Light breaks in upon our darkness;
splendour bathes the flesh-joined Word;
Moses and Elijah marvel
as the heavenly voice is heard.
Eyes and hearts behold with wonder
how the Law and Prophets meet:
Christ, with garments drenched in brightness,
stands transfigured and complete.

Strengthened by this glimpse of glory,
fearful lest our faith decline,
we like Peter find it tempting
to remain and build a shrine.
But true worship gives us courage
to proclaim what we profess,

Beginning with you
And starting from today.
Behold (behold,) behold, (behold,)
I make all things new,
My promise is true,
For I am Christ the way.

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

One: Listen! You are God's children, the beloved of God's heart. God speaks words of healing and hope to you in these moments. Listen!

All: **When we leave this place, the presence of God will go with us. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Music: **"May the God of Hope Go with Us"** **VU #424**

May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

*Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.*

May the God of healing free the earth from fear,
freeing us for peace, both treasured and pursued.
May the God of love keep our commitment clear
to a world restored, to human life renewed. R