

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

130 Cornwallis Ave, New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, October 1, 2017 – 11:00 am

World Communion Sunday

* 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: "Gather Us In" MV #7

* Call to Worship:

One: The whole world is in God's hands.

All: **Everything that lives and breathes; everything that simply is; everything.**

One: From the farthest spaces to the inmost places.

All: **God is with us, and we are with God. Hallelujah!**

One: As people of Christ, gathered at table with our sisters and brothers around the world, we remember whose we are, and we shout:

All: **Hallelujah! Thanks be to God!**

* Hymn: "Come In and Sit Down" VU #395

* Prayer of Approach:

With all that we have, with all that we are, we worship you, God of all Being. Bless this day. Bless this time. Bless this

gathering. Bless this world with your overflowing love. Hallelujah! Amen.

Listening

* Hymn: "I'm Gonna Shout" MV #183

Children's Focus

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Reading: Psalm 19 VU p.740

Anthem: "One World, One Communion"

Sermon: Promises – Old and New

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts and Food Bank Donations

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

* Offertory Prayer:

Fill us with gratitude, O God. From you, all blessings flow. To you, all gratitude shall return. Fuel us as a gracious people, full of your Spirit, led by our Saviour, overflowing with compassion and power, to shape our lives and your world for good. Amen.

* Hymn: "All Who Hunger" VU #460

Prayers of the People

Sacrament of Holy Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: ... and joining your unending hymn:

Sanctus: (All)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Consecration

Invitation

Fraction and Distribution

Prayer after Communion

*** Hymn:** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" VU #481

*** Commissioning:**

One: The world needs the spirit of community that we have shared around this table.

All: Our friends and family need the spirit of joy that we have shared around this table.

One: Kings County, Nova Scotia needs the spirit of hope that we have shared around this table.

All: Let us share with our world, our neighbourhood and our loved ones the blessings we have received in our worship today.

One: Go in peace. Take God's love from here into the world.

Choral Blessing: "Go Make a Difference" MV #209
(refrain only)

Music as We Depart