

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

Sunday, June 18, 2017, 9:00 am

Pentecost 2

Welcome & News of the Community

Music: “It’s A Song of Praise to the Maker” MV #30

It’s a song of praise to the Maker,
the thrush sings high in the tree.
It’s a song of praise to the Maker,
the gray whale sings in the sea.

Refrain:

*And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.*

It’s a call of life to the Giver,
when waves and waterfalls roar,
it’s a call of life to the Giver,
when high tides break on the shore. R

It’s a hymn of love to the Lover;
the bumblebees hum-a-long.
It’s a hymn of love to the Lover;
the summer breeze joins the song. R

It’s the chorus of all creation;
it’s sung by all living things,
it’s the chorus of all creation;
a song the universe sings. R

Basket of Blessings

Gathering Words:

One: Come into this time of worship, knowing that God has called each one of us here.

All: We come seeking you, O God.

One: We gather in the love and fellowship of one another, offering our friendship, care, and support, ready to serve.

All: We come seeking you, O Jesus.

One: We gather in awe of a holy, loving presence, yearning for an experience beyond ourselves.

All: We come seeking you, Holy Spirit.

One: Come now, worship and experience the Holy – in the presence of God, working in Jesus and living in the mystery of the Spirit.

Music:

“Jesus Loves Me”

VU #365

Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
in his love we shall be strong.

Refrain:

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Jesus loves me, this I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, 'Let them come to me.' R

Jesus loves me still today,
walking with me on my way,

wanting as a friend to give
light and love to all who live. R

Children's Time

Sharing the Story: Matthew 9:35 – 4:10

Focus on the Word

Music: "I, The Lord of Sea and Sky" VU #509

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? R

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? R

Refrain:

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.*

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

One: It is time to leave this place of worship.

All: We look around and see family and friends, and our eyes tell us that God is good. We have heard beautiful music, and our ears tell us that God is good. We walk outside, feel the heat of the sun, the power of the earth coming to life once more, and our hearts tell us that God is good.

One: Go from here, with your soul filled, ready to live a different life, because you know that God is good.

Music:

“Go To The World”

VU #420

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptising as the sign of our rebirth.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the Word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant Church, you follow Christ's own way.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
for I am with you 'til the age shall end,
when all the hosts of glory cry 'Amen!'
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!