

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

Sunday, June 17, 2018, 9:00 am

Pentecost 4

Welcome & News of the Community

Music: **“This Is God’s Wondrous World”** **VU #296**

This is God's wondrous world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.

This is God's wondrous world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is God's wondrous world:
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.

This is God's wondrous world:
God shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass or mountain pass,
God's voice speaks everywhere.

This is God's wondrous world:
O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.

This is God's wondrous world:
why should my heart be sad?
Let voices sing, let the heavens ring:
God reigns, let earth be glad!

Basket of Blessings

Gathering Words:

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we rejoice.

All: We can leave behind the cares of our daily lives.

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we give thanks.

All: We realize the full extent of your wonderful gifts.

One: You invite us to worship, O God, and we are here.

All: We have come to praise God, and to hear God's word for our lives.

One: Come, let us worship God together.

Music: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" VU #291
Refrain, vss. 1,3,5, Refrain

Refrain:

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.*

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings.

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,

the ripe fruits in the garden:
God made them every one.

God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God our maker,
who has made all things well.

Refrain:

*All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.*

Children's Time

Sharing the Story: Mark 4:26-34

Focus on the Word

Music: "Teach Me, God, to Wonder"

VU #299
vss. 1,2,4

Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;
let your world of beauty capture me.

Refrain:

*Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,
life be celebrated, joy you give.*

Let me, God, be open, let me loving be;
let your world of people speak to me. **R**

Teach me, God, to know you, hear you when you speak,
see you in my neighbour when we meet. **R**

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

One: No longer afraid, we go forth with joy!

All: the love of God will motivate and direct us.

One: Filled with hope, we go forth with praise on our lips.

All: The example of Jesus Christ will show us the way.

One: Held in the love of God, we go forth to bring change for good!

All: We will be inspired to work with God's Holy Spirit.

Music: "When You Walk From Here" VU #298 (x2)

When you walk from here,
when you walk from here,
walk with justice, walk with mercy,
and with God's humble care.