

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 5, 2018, 9:30 am

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

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles

One: God's Light speaks only truth with generous love.

All: We light this Outreach Candle to acknowledge Christ's mission in the life of the church.

We light this Christ Candle as witness to Christ's presence with us today and always.

Welcome and Announcements

*** Introit:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" VU #220, v1

*** Call to Worship:**

One: We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

All: Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

One: God's love is for you and for all people everywhere.

All: That we may share God's love and life, may we be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ.

One: The living Christ is with us.

All: Praise the Lord!

*** Hymn:** "Let Us Build a House" MV #1

*** Opening Prayer:**

One: Loving Trinity, your justice is the working out of your mercy and peace on earth.

All: Nourish us with the power of the Son and let us grow into his image and likeness.

One: Humble us to act with humility, patience, and love.

All: Equip us for ministry on behalf of all who cry out to you.

One: Help us to live lives worthy of the calling to which you call us in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Listening

Children's Focus

*** Hymn:** "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" VU #593

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16
John 6:24-35

Sermon: Embrace the Brokenness

*** Hymn:** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" VU #271

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts and Food Bank Donations

*** Offertory:** "When We Are Living" VU #581, v2

*** Offertory Prayer:**

By your grace, O God, you have provided abundantly for us. May these offerings from that abundance bring forth fullness of life for your children here and around the world, for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

* **Hymn:** "Wherever You May Go" MV #216

* **Commissioning:**

One: Our world is also God's world,

All: and we are God's gifted people,

One: ponder and claim your gift,

All: We are called to share our gifts.

* **Benediction**

Music as We Depart