

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

Sunday, September 9, 2018, 9:00 am

**Creation Sunday**

**Music as We Gather**

**Welcome & News of the Community**

**Music:** "God, We Praise You for the Morning"

VU #415  
vss 1,3,4,6

God, we praise you for the morning;  
hope springs forth with each new day,  
new beginning, prayer, and promise,  
joy in work and in play.

God, we praise you for compassion,  
all the loving that you show;  
human touching, tears, and laughter,  
help your children to grow.

God, we praise you for your Spirit,  
Comforter and daily friend,  
restless searcher, gentle teacher,  
strength and courage you send.

Hallelujah, hallelujah,  
hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Christ is Lord of our days!

**Basket of Blessings**

## Gathering Words:

One: Peoples from every corner of creation,

**All: celebrate with all creatures on Earth!**

One: Young and old across the planet,

**All: rejoice in the day that God has made!**

One: So then, let's worship in gratitude for this day.

**All: We come ready to worship.**

**Music: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" VU #400**

Lord, listen to your children praying,

Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying,

send us love, send us power, send us grace!

**(Repeat)**

## Children's Time

**Sharing the Story:** Genesis 1:26-28

## Focus on the Word

**Music: "Called By Earth and Sky"**

**MV #135**

vss 1,2,3

### **Refrain:**

*Called by earth and sky,*

*promise of hope held high.*

*This is our sacred living trust,*

*treasure of life sanctified,*

*called by earth and sky.*

Precious these waters, endless seas  
deep ocean's dream, waters of healing,  
rivers of rain, the wash of love again. **R**

Precious this gift, the air we breathe;  
Wind born and free. Breath of the Spirit,  
Blow through this place,  
our gathering and our grace. **R**

*Called by earth and sky,  
promise of hope held high.  
This is our sacred living trust,  
treasure of life sanctified,  
called by earth and sky.*

Precious these mountains, ancient sands;  
vast fragile land. Seeds of our wakening,  
rooted and strong, creation's faithful song. **R**

*Called by earth and sky,  
promise of hope held high.  
This is our sacred living trust,  
treasure of life sanctified,  
called by earth and sky.  
called by earth and sky.*

## **Prayer in Action**

### **Affirmation:**

One: We are called to be masters of all the earth.

**All: We will take full responsibility for our task.**

One: We are made in God's likeness...

**All: we are the living image of God, caring as God cares...  
loving as God loves!**

**Music:**

**“I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”**

**VU #575**

I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!