

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

Sunday, September 23, 2018, 9:00 am

Music as We Gather

Welcome & News of the Community

One: The grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you!**

Music:

“We Are One”

VU #402

Vss: 1,3,4

We are one as we come,
as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips
there's a sense that God is near.

We are one as we sing,
as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace
as we meet, together in this place.

We are one as we feast,
as we feast, peace becomes the sign;
in the bread and the wine
there's a sense of love divine.

We are one as we come,
as we feed, we are fed;
and we feel God's refreshing grace
as we meet at table in this place.

We are one as we hear,
as we hear, heart and hand unite;

in the word we receive
there's a sense that God is light.
We are one as we leave,
as we love, we are loved;
and we seek justice in God's ways
as we move together from this place.

Basket of Blessings

Gathering Words:

One: Jesus calls each of us into a relationship with God.

All: **We welcome Jesus' Mountain Top invitation.**

One: The least and the most, all are invited to worship.

All: **Together where we are, mountain or valley, we come
and celebrate God's grace. Let us worship!**

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.

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.'

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

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

Jesus loves me still today,
walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give

light and love to all who live.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

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

Children's Time

Sharing the Story: Mark 9:30–37

Focus on the Word

Music: “We Praise You, O God”

VU #218

We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.

We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of our mothers and fathers,
through trial and tempest, companion and guide.
When perils o'ertake us, you will not forsake us,
but faithful to your promise, you walk by our side.

With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
Our sins now confessing, we pray for your blessing,
to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

One: We leave this time and place, continuing our journey as
God's people:

All: surrounded by the wonders of God's creation,

One: accompanied by the One who shared our existence

All: embraced in the purposeful caring of the Spirit,

One: to be God's faithful people

All: in all the places life calls us to be.

Music: "Will You Come and Follow Me"

VU #567

Vss. 1,2,4

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

Benediction