

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 11, 2018, 9:00 am

* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Clergy & Choir Enter

Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles:

One: We bring this remembering time into the presence of God.

All: The presence of God symbolized by this Christ candle is a visible reminder of the invisible Spirit walking with us.

*Introit: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" VU #894 v1

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

All: And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship:

One: What do you bring before the Lord this day?

All: We bring our hopes and our dreams to the Lord.

One: What do you seek?

All: We seek peace for our weary souls.

One: You will find it in this place, for this is the house of the Lord.

All: Open our hearts and our spirits, O Lord, to hear your words of comfort and peace. AMEN.

* Hymn: "We Are One" VU #402

* Opening Prayer:

One: Lord, we have come to you this day bringing all that we have, our lives, our hopes and dreams, our fears and our sorrows.

All: We place these before you in faith and hope, knowing that no matter what has happened you are with us and blessing us.

One: Open our hearts to receive your words and your spirit, that we may find healing and comfort.

All: Open our lives to the wondrous possibilities for service and joy that you offer to us.

One: Ease our minds and spirits that we may hear words of encouragement and peace this day.

All: AMEN.

Listening

Children's Focus: "The Poppy Song"

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" VU #575

Scripture Readings: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17
Mark 10:46-52

Anthem: "Peace"

Sermon: Giving It Our All

* Hymn: "Make Me a Channel of your Peace" VU #684

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* Offertory: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" VU #541

* Offertory Prayer:

Loving and gracious God, accept the gifts we offer. May they contribute toward a world that is more forgiving, more loving, more just, more respectful, and more peaceful. We give with thankful hearts and we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

* Hymn: "Would You Bless Our Homes and Families" VU #556

* Commissioning:

One: Go from here alert to the goodness God shares with us.

All: We go seeking greater awareness of God's love and grace.

One: Go from here knowing we are God's own.

All: We go seeking to know how valuable we are to God.

One: Go from here certain that God is with us.

All: We go knowing that we are never alone.

* Benediction

Choral Blessing "Go Now In Peace"

Music as We Depart