

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

Sunday, November 18, 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: "Morning has Broken" VU #409

Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Ours is the sunlight! Ours is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Basket of Blessings

Gathering Words:

One: Our faith is our protection, our refuge;

All: our counsel, our hope.

One: The Holy within each of us will show us the Way;

All: The Spirit is our guide on this journey.

One: In this worship, we come to provoke, challenge, comfort...

**All: and encourage each other in our call to faithful living.
Come, let us worship together.**

Music: "I Am Walking a Path of Peace"

MV #221

I am walking a path of peace.
I am walking a pace of peace,
I am walking a path of peace,
lead me home, lead me home.

I am walking a path of grace.
I am walking a pace of grace,
I am walking a path of grace,
lead me home, lead me home.

I am walking a path of love.
I am walking a pace of love,
I am walking a path of love,
lead me home, lead me home.

Children's Time

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Story: Mark 13:1-8

Focus on the Word: Apple Tree of Peace

Music:

“In the Bulb, There is a Flower”

VU #703

In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Prayer in Action

Affirmation:

One: What endures is not the structures we build,

All: but the work of Jesus that we accomplish.

One: Let us go forth from here empowered by the Holy Spirit to
be instruments of justice...

All: rooted in love to move us closer to the peace we desire.

Music:

“Peace Be with You”

MV #215

Peace be with you, peace forever,

Peace be with you, my friends.

Till we meet again,

May God be with you.

Peace, peace, peace.

Benediction