

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

Sunday, December 2, 2018, 9:00 am

**Music as We Gather**

**Advent Candle Lighting**

One: In this season of Advent, we long for God's presence.

**All: Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

One: In this season of Advent, we search for God's truth.

**All: Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

One: In this season of Advent, we seek God's guidance.

**All: Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

One: In this season of Advent, we remember God's promise.

**All: Christ is our light and the source of our hope.**

**Welcome & News of the Community**

**Gathering Words:**

One: This season of Advent is gaining speed ...

**All: and we're preparing for the journey ahead.**

One: There's a lot to do...

**All: and the Spirit is with us in all our preparations.**

One: We're anxious to get at it, and ...

**All: God steadies our patience.**

One: We live in hope for the coming of the Messiah.

**All: Fill us with the Spirit in life's celebrations as we worship on this day.**

**Music:**

**“Hark the Glad Sound”**

VU #29  
vss. 1, 3, 4

Hark, the glad sound! The Saviour comes,  
the Saviour promised long:  
let every heart prepare a throne,  
and every voice a song.

He comes, the broken heart to bind,  
the bleeding soul to cure,  
and with the treasures of his grace  
to bless the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,  
your welcome shall proclaim;  
and heaven's eternal arches ring  
with your beloved name.

**Basket of Blessings**

**Music:**

**“He Came Singing Love”**

VU #359  
Vs. 1 & 3

He came singing love and he lived singing love;  
he died singing love.

He arose in silence.

For the love to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope and he lived singing hope;  
he died singing hope.

He arose in silence.

For the hope to go on we must make it our song;  
you and I be the singers.

## Children's Time

Just like Jesus, just like Jesus.  
Look at us. Look at us.  
We are all disciples.  
We are all disciples.  
Showing love. Showing love

I am waiting. I am waiting.  
So are you. So are you.  
Jesus has a birthday soon.  
Jesus has a birthday soon.  
Thank you, God. Thank you, God.

Is it time yet? Is it time yet?  
Must we wait? Must we wait?  
Jesus has a birthday soon.  
Jesus has a birthday soon.  
I can't wait! It's so great!

## The Lord's Prayer

**Sharing the Story:** Luke 21:25-36

## Focus on the Word

**Music:** "Hope Is A Star"

VU #7  
Vs. 1 & 4

Hope is a star that shines in the night,  
Leading us on till the morning is bright.

*When God is a child there's joy in our song.  
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,  
and none shall be afraid.*

Love is a flame that burns in our heart,  
Jesus has come and will never depart.

*When God is a child there's joy in our song.  
The last shall be first and the weak shall be strong,  
and none shall be afraid.*

## **Prayer in Action**

### **Affirmation:**

**One:** Friends, as we go into the world, let us work towards the world God desires for humankind.

**All: May we speak God's truth,**

**One:** may we be inspired by Jesus' way,

**All: and may the Spirit grant us courage to lead, to follow,  
and to serve.**

### **Music:**

#### **"People, Look East"**

VU #9

Vss. 1, 4, 5

People, look east. The time is near  
of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able,  
trim the hearth and set the table.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love the guest is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim  
one more light the bowl shall brim,  
shining beyond the frosty weather,  
bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love the star is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth  
Christ who brings new life to earth.  
Set every peak and valley humming  
with the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look east and sing today:  
Love the Lord is on the way.

## **Benediction**