

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 20, 2019, 11:00 am

Christian Unity

* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Clergy & Choir Enter

* Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles:

One: We gather as people open to the signs Jesus gives us.

All: Let's light these candles to remind us of Jesus' promise of a new Beginning and a new Hope.

* Introit: "God is Here" VU #389, v1

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship:

One: Jesus said, "fill these jars with water",

All: We fill them to the brim.

One: Jesus said, "Now draw some out",

All: so we take the water offered by Jesus.

One: Through our baptism waters, Jesus offers us new wine,

All: through baptism water, Jesus offers us a new beginning.

One: With God, Jesus offers us a new hope,

All: through our new beginning and our new hope, may we seek justice and resist evil, as we continue on our journey. Let us worship.

* Hymn: "Amazing Grace" VU #266

* Opening Prayer:

One: Holy God, through signs of grace you reveal yourself to the entire world.

All: Open our eyes to the hidden and surprising wonders you perform, that we may believe with our minds and trust in our hearts that you alone are one with all creation.

One: Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray:

All: Amen.

Listening

Minute for Mission – Meet Your Feet

Children's Focus

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "When Heaven's Bright with Mystery" VU #93

Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
John 2:1-11

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Sermon: Cana Wine

* Hymn: "I See a New Heaven" VU #713

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* **Offertory:** "When We Are Living" VU #581, v2

* **Offertory Prayer:**

At the wedding feast at Cana you pleased the guests with generosity, filled to the brim and flowing over. Bless the gifts we offer with grateful hearts. Bless our lives to your service, that they may reveal your will, and nurture our faith. Amen.

Prayers of the People

* **Hymn:** "My Love Colours Outside the Lines" MV #138

* **Commissioning:**

One: Go forth today daring to trust God's promises.

All: God can do both the spirit-filled and the powerful,

One: in our Church's life...

All: and in our own lives.

One: We have been given many gifts...

All: and we will go out and share these gifts with joy.

Alleluia!

* **Benediction**

Choral Amen (All)

Music as We Depart