

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 26, 2019, 11:00 am

6th Sunday in Easter

* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Clergy & Choir Enter

* Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles

* Introit: "And On this Path" MV #8

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship:

One: Come as you are.

All: **We come broken and struggling, yearning and hungry.**

One: Listen for the story of Jesus making the man at the gate whole,

All: **we, too, long to be made whole as individuals and communities.**

One: Let us look and see the work of the healing creator.

All: **Let us do this as we draw near to the Divine by singing, praying and listening.**

One: Let us worship together.

* Opening Prayer

* Hymn: "Jesus Christ is Waiting" VU #117

* Peace of Christ

One: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Listening

Minute for Mission

Children's Hymn: "Jump for Joy" MV #48

Children's Focus

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "Spirit, Open My Heart" MV #79

Scripture Reading: John 5:1-15

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Three minutes of silence

Sermon

* Hymn: "You Are Holy, You Are Whole"

You are holy, you are whole.

You are always ever more than we ever understand.

You are always at hand.

Blessed are you coming near;

blessed are you coming here

to your church in wine and bread,

raised from soil, raised from dead.

You are holy, you are wholeness,
you are present,
let the cosmos praise you Lord!
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,
our Lord!

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* **Offertory:** “Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope” MV #33

* **Offertory Prayer:**

**To make the world more whole, to make our communities more whole, and to make each of us more whole, we offer these gifts. May the healing offered by the risen Christ extend to all as we use these gifts.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People: “Take, O Take Me As I Am” MV #85

* **Hymn:** “Take Up His Song” MV #213

* **Benediction**

Choral Amen

Music as We Depart