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

# **Order of Worship**

Sunday, September 22, 2019, 9:00 am

# 15th Sunday after Pentecost

#### Music as We Gather

## Welcome & News of the Community

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

### **Gathering Words:**

One: We come into God's house with praise and thanksgiving!

All: We come in celebration and song.

One: We come in gratitude.

All: We come as those who have received blessing upon

blessing.

One: We come in compassion for God's aching people.

All: We come to bring everyone blessings in Jesus' name.

One: We come in joy and hope!

All: Let us come into worship with celebration and song.

**Music:** "Dance With the Spirit" MV #156

Dance with the Spirit Early in the mornin', Walk with the Spirit

Throughout the long day.

Work and hope for

The new life a-bornin', Listen to the Spirit To show you the way.

#### **Opening Prayer:**

One: We are here, Holy One.

All: We come to be with your people...

One: to join them in your praise...

All: and to learn to live together and with your world in

peace.

One: Give us your blessing, we pray...

All: that as we seek to know your will for us, we may live

lives worthy to be called your own. Amen.

### **Basket of Blessings**

#### Children's Time

### Lord's Prayer

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

Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets; no one is his neighbour, all alone he eats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am lonely too.

Make me, friend or stranger, fit to wait on you.

Jesus Christ is raging, raging in the streets, where injustice spirals and real hope retreats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I am angry too.

In the Kingdom's causes let me rage with you.

Jesus Christ is healing, healing in the streets; curing those who suffer, touching those he greets. Listen, Lord Jesus, I have pity too. Let my care be active, healing just like you.

Jesus Christ is dancing, dancing in the streets, where each sign of hatred he, with love, defeats. Listen, Lord Jesus, I should triumph too. On suspicion's graveyard let me dance with you.

Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets, 'Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.' Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few. Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

**Sharing the Story:** Luke 16:1–13

**Meditation:** Who is Jesus Talking To?

Music: "Come to My Heart" VU #661

Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; come to my heart today. Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; fill me with love today. Give me the peace and joy

that only you can bring. Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; Answer my prayer today. Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

### **Prayer in Action**

#### **Affirmation:**

One: Take the gifts of God into the world, remembering the poor,

the least, and the lost.

All: We will take God's gifts to a hurting world, spreading a

healing balm in all that we do. Praise be to God!

**Music:** "We Have This Ministry" VU #510

We have this ministry and we are not discouraged; it is by God's own power that we may live and serve.

Openly we share God's word, speaking truth as we believe, praying that the shadowed world may healing light receive.

We have this ministry, O God, receive our living.

O Christ, the tree of life, our end and our beginning, we grow to fullest flower when rooted in your love. Brothers, sisters, clergy, lay, called to service by your grace, different cultures, different gifts, the young and old a place. We have this ministry, O God, receive our giving.

The yoke of Christ is ours, the whole world is our parish; we daily take the cross, the burden and the joy. Bearing hurts of those we serve, wounded, bruised and bowed with pain, Holy Spirit, bread and wine, we die and rise again. We have this ministry, O God, receive our loving.

#### **Benediction**