### ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 24, 2019, 11:00 am

# **Reign of Christ Sunday**

\* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

## **Gathering**

\* Clergy & Choir Enter

\* Lighting of the Christ and Outreach Candles:

One: God calls us to be Jesus' hands and feet:

All: Let this Outreach candle's light guide our works.

One: God knows us, through and through:

All: This Christ Candle acknowledges God's presence

with us now, as always.

\* **Introit**: "Holy God, VU #894, v1

We Praise Your Name"

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

\* Call to Worship:

One: Good morning! May God's blessings be with you this day!

All: Thank you, and may God's blessings be with you

also!

One: May the light of Christ's love shine on you today.

All: May the peace of Christ be in your heart.

One: Open your hearts to celebrate the reign of Jesus Christ.

All: With joy we open our hearts and spirits to the Lord. Amen.

\* **Hymn:** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" VU #375

\* Opening Prayer:

One: Lord of light and life, we come to you this day in celebration of the witness of your Son Jesus Christ.

All: Open our hearts, our spirits, and our lives to listen to his words for us.

One: Help us to be faithful disciples for you.

All: We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

# **Listening**

**Minute for Mission** 

Children's Focus

Lord's Prayer

\* **Hymn:** "Are You a Shepherd?" MV #126

**Scripture Readings:** Jeremiah 23:1–6 Luke 23:33–34

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "Beati Quorum Via"

Latin Translation

Beati quorum via integra est Blessed are the undefiled, Qui ambulant in legge Domini who walk in the way of the Lord

Sermon: Win Friends and Influence Others

\* **Hymn:** "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me" VU #635

### **Celebrating**

Offering of Our Gifts

\* Offertory: Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

VU #541

#### \* Offertory Prayer:

May these gifts bring light to all who walk in darkness, hope to all who live in despair, and justice to all who are oppressed. Grant to each of us a sense of participation in this wonderful opportunity to share your love with the world. To this end we dedicate our offerings and ourselves. Amen.

#### **Prayers of the People**

\* **Hymn:** "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" VU #512

### \* Commissioning:

One: May the God who sees us and loves us...

All: create with us, new ways of seeing the world and one another.

One: May our Spirit-fueled and God-filled ways...

All: open hearts and fill minds with the transforming love of God made known through Jesus.

#### \* Benediction

**Blessing:** "Go Now in Peace"

**Music as We Depart**