ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 17, 2020

6th Sunday of Easter

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Outreach and Christ Candles

Hope Candles

Welcome

One: Welcome in Christ's name, and may the peace that

Christ gives be with you.

All: And also with you!

Recognition of the Land and Indigenous People

Call to Worship:

One: Jesus begins, "If you love me...."

All: We show that we do by loving.

One: "If you love me," Jesus says.

All: We show that we do by sharing.

One: "If you love me," Jesus says.

All: We show that we do by serving.

One: "If you love me," Jesus says.

All: We show that we do by worshipping.

One: So, let us worship God.

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

Opening Prayer:

God of wondrous light and strength, we come to you this day to be inspired to live in the ways you teach us. As we worship now, lift our spirits and give us the courage and the confidence to boldly serve and love in all that we do. Amen.

Listening

Children's Focus

Minute for Mission

Hymn: "Jesus, Friend of Little Children" VU #340

Scriptures: Acts 17:22-31 *Read by Mary McFarlane*

John 14:15-21

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "Sheltered in the Arm of God"

Offered by Frank Hartman

Gospel Story: Friend Read by Mary Cormier

Sermon: If You Love Me, by Request

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "O for a World" VU #697 vs. 1,3,5

Commissioning:

Go and reflect the welcome of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Mother of us all, whose heart closes out no one, but whose love is for all people, always.

Benediction

Music as We Depart