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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 1, 2020, 10:00 am

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

Hope Candles

Recognition of the Land and Indigenous People

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace that Christ gives be with you.

And also with you!

Call to Worship:

People of God, welcome to worship.

It's good to join together in worship.

What brings you today?

We are weary of poverty and of wealth, of power and of friction in our world.

What do you hope for?

For freedom, for peace, for justice, for joy.

Welcome all you Saints of the church, this is your place to worship.

Hymn:

"For All the Saints"

VU #705 vs.1,2,5,6

For all the saints, who from their labours rest, all who by faith before the world confessed, your name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might: you were their captain in the well-fought fight; you, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day the saints triumphant rise in bright array: as God to glory calls them all away. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time

Scriptures:

1 John 3:1–3 Matthew 5:1–12

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn:

"Blest are They"

VU #896

Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.

Refrain:

Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill. **R**

Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God. **R**

Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith, the glory of God is theirs. **R**

Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me.
Rejoice and be glad yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see. **R**

Refrain:

Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God.

Sermon: The New Normal

Celebrating

Minute for Mission

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

VU #288

Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator; there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. **R**

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow - wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. **R**

Commissioning

Benediction:

The God of forgiveness bless you, the grace of Christ keep you, and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit strengthen you. Let us go now in peace, to love and to serve. Amen!

Music as We Depart