

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 17, 2021, 10:00 am

Second Sunday after Epiphany

* Please rise in body and/or spirit

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* **Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles**

* **Hymn:** “Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary” MV #18

Lord, prepare me
to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy
tried and true;
with thanksgiving,
I'll be a living
sanctuary for you.

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:**

Listen, did you hear that?

I was distracted by these turbulent times...did I hear what?

It was in a difficult time that God called to Samuel.

And Samuel spoke with honesty and love.

The times were challenging when Jesus called to the disciples.

And together they spoke with hope and faith.

In these unprecedented times, can you hear God calling your name?

We do, and we answer that call with "Yes, here I am!"

With gratitude, let us answer that call in worship now.

*** Hymn:** "I Have Called You by Your Name" MV #161

I have called you by your name, you are mine;
I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.
I will not abandon you; all my promises are true.
You are gifted, called, and chosen; you are mine.

I will help you learn my name as you go;
read it written in my people, help them grow.
Pour the water in my name, speak the word your soul can claim,
offer Jesus' body given long ago.

I know you will need my touch as you go;
feel it pulsing in creation's ebb and flow.
Like the woman reaching out, choosing faith in spite of doubt,
hold the hem of Jesus' robe, then let it go.

I have given you a name, it is mine;
I have given you my Spirit as a sign.

With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole; go and tell my precious people they are mine.

*** Opening Prayer**

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

Minute for Mission

Scriptures: 1 Samuel 3:1-10
John 1:43-51

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

Special Music: "The Prayer of St. Patrick"
*Offered by Roger Bolt, Cupido Daniels,
Fred Lipskey, Dave Murphy, and Scott Sweatman*

Sermon: **Wild Soup**

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Celebrating

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me"

VU #567

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

Christ, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

*** 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.
And the people said...

AMEN!

Music as We Depart