

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

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Sunday, February 28, 2021, 10:00 am

### **Second Sunday of Lent**

\* 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:**

Our Lenten Journey continues this week.

**We have encountered the Wilderness.**

We have been on the mountain top.

**We have seen a brilliant shining light.**

And today we encounter Jesus.

**We come to experience life with Jesus and with one another.**

In faith and in honesty, let us worship.

**\* Hymn:**            “Make Me a Channel of your Peace”            VU #684

Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me bring your love;  
where there is injury, your healing power,  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you: **R**

**Refrain:**

*O Spirit, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love with all my soul.*

Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;  
where there is darkness, only light;  
and where there's sadness, ever joy. **R**

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving to all that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

**\* Opening Prayer**

## **Listening**

**Children's Time / Time for all Ages**

## **Minute for Mission**

**Scriptures:**                    Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
   Mark 8:31-38

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

**Anthem:**                            “Walk Humbly”  
*Offered by Debbie Mailman, Mary McFarlane, Fred Lipskey,  
Mindy Vinqvist-Tymchuk; Nancy Handrigan (Violin)*

**Sermon:**                        **Sound like a good idea?**

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## **Celebrating**

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**\* Hymn:**                    “Open My Eyes, That I May See”                    VU #371  
   Open my eyes, that I may see  
   glimpses of truth thou hast for me;  
   place in my hands the wonderful key  
   that shall unclasp and set me free.

**Refrain:**

*Silently now I wait for thee,  
ready, my God, thy will to see.  
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

Open my ears, that I may hear  
voices of truth thou sendest clear;  
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,  
everything false will disappear. **R**

Open my mouth, and let me bear  
gladly the warm truth everywhere;  
open my heart and let me prepare  
love with thy children thus to share. **R**

**\* Commissioning**

We journey into Lent,  
**Experiencing the great abundance of life.**  
And we will go,  
**Caring for others as ourselves.**  
And we will go,  
**With love in our hearts and salt in our souls.**  
And we will go,  
**letting that everlasting song of  
hope, faith, and love go with us.**

**\* Benediction**

**Music as We Depart**