ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 2, 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

* **Hymn:** "Spirit, Open My Heart" MV #79, v1

Recognition of the Land and Indigenous People

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you!**

* Call to Worship:

We come into worship today after sudden changes - changes that bring sadness and confusion, shock, anger, and burdens.

And we bring joy and thanksgiving.

May we find comfort and strength, hope and reassurance, and a welcoming spirit within this virtual gathered assembly. We bring all of ourselves here with God today.

Let us worship.

* **Hymn:** "Come and Find the Quiet Centre" VU #374

* Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

Minute for Mission

Scriptures: 1 John 4:7–12 John 15:1–8

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "Aspiration – He Leadeth Me

in the Path of Righteousness"

Offered by Nancy Handrigan

Sermon: Abide in the Vine

Hymn: "It Only takes a Spark" VU #289, v1

Celebrating

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

* **Hymn:** "We Shall Go Out VU #586

with Hope of Resurrection

* Commissioning

* Benediction