

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 25, 2021, 10:00 am

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

Hymn: “Where Two or Three Are Gathered” MV #14
 Where two or three are gathered in my name,
 I am there, I am there.

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

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

Call to Worship:

Come, rest your soul among friends.

We come, with a hunger to be together.

This is a place of peace and hope, where all may be fed and
nurtured with God and one another.

Bring us to this time of community to simply be.

Come, place your trust in God who is always by your side.

Open our hearts to hear your word and feel your presence.

Let us come to worship, grateful to be in this time together.

Hymn:

“Grateful”

MV #182

Grateful for the life you give us,
Thankful for your Holy Son,
Joyful in your Spirit flowing
Over all, O God of Love.
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
Thankful for your Holy Word,
Joyful in your mercy flowing,
We will praise you.

You are more than we imagine,
Ancient, Holy, Living Lord.
Even when we doubt your presence
You are faithful to your Word. R

May our lives proclaim your justice,
May our voices sing your praise.
May our hands work in your service
To the glory of your name. R

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children’s Time / Time for all Ages

Minute for Mission

Scriptures: John 6:1-21

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: **In Community**

Hymn: "I Come With Joy"

VU #477

I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.

The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here,
alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

Celebrating

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "To Show by Touch and Word" VU #427

To show by touch and word devotion to the earth,
to hold in full regard all life that comes to birth,
we need, O God, the will to find
the good you had of old in mind.

Renew our minds to choose the things that matter most,
our hearts to long for truth till pride of self is lost.
For every challenge that we face
we need your guidance and your grace.

Let love from day to day be yardstick, rule, and norm,
and let our lives portray your word in human form.
Now come with us that we may have
your wits about us where we live.

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!**