

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 8, 2021, 10:00 am

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

Hymn: "Gather Us In" MV #7 x2

Gather us in, ground us in you.
Gather us in, ground us in you.
Gather us in, gather us in,
ground us, ground us in you.

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

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

Call to Worship:

As we gather in community today,

May we open our hearts and minds.

As we watch and listen,

May we engage our hearts and minds.

As we sit in this sacred space,

May we know our hearts and minds.

Let us gather as one people, joyful to be here, in worship.

Hymn:

“We Are One”

VU #402

We are one as we come,
as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips
there's a sense that God is near.

We are one as we sing,
as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace
as we meet, together in this place.

We are one as we share,
as we share brokenness and fear,
in the touch of a hand
there's a sense that God is here.

We are one as we care,
as we heal, we are healed;

and we share warmth in God's embrace
as we pray together in this place.

We are one as we feast,
as we feast, peace becomes the sign;
in the bread and the wine
there's a sense of love divine.

We are one as we come,
as we feed, we are fed;
and we feel God's refreshing grace
as we meet at table in this place.

We are one as we hear,
as we hear, heart and hand unite;
in the word we receive
there's a sense that God is light.

We are one as we leave,
as we love, we are loved;
and we seek justice in God's ways
as we move together from this place.

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

Minute for Mission

Scriptures: 1 Kings 19:4-8
Ephesians 4:25—5:2

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon:

Food for the Road

Hymn: “There's a Spirit in the Air” VU #582 vs.1,3,4,5,7

There's a spirit in the air,
telling Christians everywhere:
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working in our world.'

When believers break the bread,
when a hungry child is fed,
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working in our world.

Still the Spirit gives us light,
seeing wrong and setting right:
God in Christ has come to stay.
Live tomorrow's life today!

When a stranger's not alone,
where the homeless find a home,
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working, in our world

There's a Spirit in the air,
calling people everywhere:
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working, in our world.

Celebrating

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" VU #422

God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.

Refrain:

*Till we meet, till we meet,
till we meet at Jesus' feet;
till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.*

God be with you till we meet again;
unseen wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again. R

God be with you till we meet again;
when life's perils thick confound you,
put unfailing arms around you;
God be with you till we meet again. R

God be with you till we meet again;
keep love's banner floating o'er you,
smite death's threatening wave before you;
God be with you till we meet again. 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.
And the people said ... **AMEN!**