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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 24th, 2022, 10:00 am

Second Sunday of Easter Camping Sunday

Music as We Gather

Gathering

The lighting of the outreach, unity and Christ Candles

Introit: There is Room for All MV #62

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;

There is room for all, sheltered in God's love.

And I rejoice and sing, "My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust."

There is room for all, there is room for all!

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Call to Worship: by Maya Landell

Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide MV #145

Refrain:

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song, no one stands alone,

standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

God the still-point of the circle, 'round whom all creation turns; nothing lost, but held forever, in God's gracious arms. **R**

Let our hearts touch far horizons, so encompass great and small; let our loving know no borders, faithful to God's call. **R**

Let the dreams we dream be larger, than we've ever dreamed before; let the dream of Christ be in us, open every door. **R**

Opening Prayer

Karen Bridges and Shauna Gibbons

Listening

Minute for Mission

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

Campfire Blanket

The Lord's Prayer

Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 3:10–23

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: You Are My Sunshine

offered by Chris Seymour

Message: Camp Stories Rev. Don and

Pastor Katie

Hymn: And on This Path MV #8

And on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide, and on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide, and on this path, the gates of holiness are open wide, Open wide! Open wide! Open wide! The gate are open wide!

So enter in the gates of holiness are open wide, so enter in the gates of holiness are open wide, so enter in the gates of holiness are open wide, Open wide! Open wide! Open wide! The gate are open wide!

Celebrating

Prayers of the People

Robyn Brown Hewitt

One: Gracious God, you are so good to us.

Today we offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all of the blessings revealed to us

through Christian camping and outdoor ministries. For the gifts of your good creation, which we encounter when we are camping: for forests and fields, beaches, streams and lakes, sunrises and sunsets, wind and rain,

All: we give you thanks, O God.

One:For your gift of time and the cycle of nature; for opportunities in the out-of-doors to reflect, and to feel your presence very near to us; for rest and recreation,

All: we give you thanks, O God.

One:For the dedication of countless people who have supported this ministry through offerings of time and talent: builders, counsellors, and instructors; for the gifts of all who create and maintain an environment of faithfulness and healing through their example at camp,

All: we give you thanks, O God.

One:For the blessings you make known to us through those who participate at camp; for the questions and discoveries; for the friendships and fun; for the music and stories,

All: we give you thanks, O God.

One: Bless, O God, the ministry of camps and retreat centres, a ministry which is ours in Christ's name.

All: Amen.

Hymn: I've got Peace like a River VU#577

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
(repeat)

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul. (repeat)

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul. (repeat)

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!**