

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH 9256 Commercial St., New Minas, NS Mailing address: 130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas B4N 3M7



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 4th, 2022, 10:00 am

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

The lighting of the Outreach, Unity, and Christ Candles

*Introit: "Spirit of the Living God" VU #376

Recognition of the Land

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

Welcome and Announcements

* Call to Worship:

God, like a potter, shapes our lives.

God shapes us for the good of creation.

God forms us to be vessels of compassion and service.

God endlessly transforms us in witness to love.

Come, let us worship the Creator who has given us life.

Let us continue to be transformed in worship today. AMEN.

*Hymn: "This is the Day" VU #412

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: "Oh a Song Must Rise" MV #142

Scriptures:

Jeremiah 18:1–11 God is the potter; we are the clay Luke 14:25-33 You must give up your possessions

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: Open the Eyes of My Heart

Offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: Pottery - the Essence of Faith

Rev. Don Sellsted

* **Hymn:** "Spirit Dancing" VU #388 vs. 1,2,5,6

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* Offertory: "What Can I Do?" MV #191

Offertory Prayer:

God, our Potter, we give these offerings in gratitude, rejoicing in the varied gifts granted to us. We give these offerings in faith and in hope, knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world. With these offerings we give ourselves; may we live with generous hearts, open hands, and a servant's towel. Amen.

Prayers of the People

* **Hymn:** "May the God of Hope Go with Us" VU #424

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!**