



**ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED
CHURCH**
130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas, NS
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 13th, 2023, 10:00 am
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity, and Christ Candles

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you!

Call to Worship:

From near and far, we gather to be in worship today.

**Gathering in unity is what true worship is
all about!**

Diversity makes us strong.

**Through it we grow, learn, and support one
another in our journeys.**

We are friends, family, acquaintances, and
strangers...

how good it is to worship together!

As individuals, we are each wonderfully unique...

**and brilliantly bound in the commandment
to love.**

On the land or sea, in the valley, on the mountain, or
at the lakeshore, wherever we've come from, all are
welcome here.

*** Hymn: "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"**

VU #563

Opening Prayer

Listening

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

The Lord's Prayer

VU #910

*** Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me"**

VU #365

Scripture:

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28. *Joseph is sold into slavery by his
brothers.*

Matthew 14:22-33.....*Jesus walks across stormy waters.*

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: God on the Mountain

Offered by Frank Hartman

Message: No Favourites Here

Rev Don Sellsted

*** Hymn: "We Are One"**

VU #402

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

*** Offertory: "How Great Thou Art" VU #238 vs. 4**

*** Offertory Prayer:**

**Creator, in gratitude for all that you do, steady
our fears as we offer these gifts to continue your
work here amongst us. Created as one people,
you care for us all with the same radical and
amazing love. Receive not only our gifts but also
receive us, the givers. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

*** Hymn:** “Will Your Anchor Hold” VU #675

*** 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!**

***Hymn of Benediction: Amen**

Postlude