



ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
130 Cornwallis Ave.,
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 27th, 2023, 10:00 am

Thirteenth 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:

Welcome! It is great to have you with us today.

It's good to be here, seeking peace for our hearts.

God is with us, embracing us with wondrous healing love.

It's good to be here, seeking rest for our souls.

In this community, the Spirit draws us together.

It's good to be here, seeking community for our spirits.

Here in worship, we seek our eyes to be opened to the Jesus within us all.

*Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" VU #371

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord's Prayer

VU #910

*Hymn:

"Like a Rock"

MV #92

Scripture:

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20.....*Who do you say that I am? Asks Jesus.*

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music:

Walking in Faith with Our Lord

By Price and Besig

Offered by Thea Burton and Carmen Peng

Message:

"You are the Rock"

Rev. Don Sellsted

* Hymn:

"When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides" MV #169

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

* Offertory:

"Grant Us, God, the Grace"

VU #540

Offertory Prayer:

Inspiring God, you call us to be your people. You call us worthy. You shower us with your amazing love. With gratitude we ask that you help us to be your rock, showing us all we can achieve through a foundation of generosity. Receive not only our gifts but receive us, the givers. Amen.

Prayers of the People

* Hymn:

"We Have This Ministry"

VU #510

*** 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