



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

Sunday, September 24th, 2023, 10:00 am

17th Sunday after Pentecost

3rd Sunday in Creation

Music as We Gather

Gathering

***Introit** "What is the Place"
Songs for a Gospel People #70

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:**

We come celebrating God's creation.
Trees heavy with fruit proclaim the wonder of God.
We come rejoicing in God's creation.
The seasonal sun and rain declare God's nurturing heart.
We come in delight for God's creation.
The mountains, waters, fields, forests, and valleys reflect our awesome God.
Come, let us learn all the ways God comes to our heart as we worship.

***Hymn:** "Come to My Heart" VU #661

Opening Prayer

Listening

Gathering the Children

***Hymn:** "It's a Song of Praise to the Maker" MV #30

Scripture:

Exodus 16:2-5, 11-15..... *Bread and quails to feed the people.*

Matthew 20:1-16..... *Daily wages for the labourer's; what's fair?*

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: **Feed My Lambs** *by N. Sleeth*
Offered by Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: **Reflections**

*** Hymn:** "For the Fruit of All Creation" VU #227

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

*** Offertory:** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
VU #541

Offertory Prayer:

Loving God, Creator and Sustainer, help us to remember that we are your stewards caring for creation. Let us be as manna to a hungry world, showing generosity for all in need. We dedicate these gifts, and the givers, to your service. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer VU #910

*** Hymn:** "Would You Bless Our Homes and Families"
VU #556

*** 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!**

*** Choral Benediction**

Go In Love

by D. Besig

Postlude

This week's Worship Service is sponsored

by Sylvia Delisle

In loving memory of Jacques Delisle

from wife, Sylvia