



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

Sunday, November 12th, 2023, 10:00 am
24th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

***Introit** "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"
by Brian Doerksen

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 are pulled in many directions.
Many duties and tasks seek to lay claim on our lives.
This day, in this place, let worship be our choice.
This day, in this place, we open our hearts and spirits to God.
Blessed be the God of creation who has called us here.
In word, in song, in prayer, God sustains and nurtures our lives.
And so, this day, let our worship sing, "thanks be to God".

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

Opening Prayer

Prayer Scarf Blessing

Holy Communion

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord's Prayer VU #910

***Hymn:** "Water Flowing from the Mountains" MV #87

Scripture:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *God will raise the dead.*
Matthew 25:1-13 *Parable of the 10 bridesmaids and the lamps.*

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: **Never Alone** *Rev. Don Sellsted*

*** Hymn:** "When We Are Living" VU #581

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

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

Offertory Prayer:

Loving God, Creator and Sustainer, help us to cherish and celebrate your wondrous creation and all the blessings we have received. It is with joyful hearts that we dedicate these gifts to your service. Amen.

Prayers of the People

*** Hymn:** "Go the the World!" VU #420

* 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

Amen

VU #967

Postlude