

ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH 130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas B4N 3M7



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, August 3, 2025, 10:00am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* Congregational Introit:

"Come, We That Love"

VU #715

vs.1(2nd tune)

* 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.**

Centring Music

*Call to Worship:

In the midst of trouble and turmoil, God is our refuge.

God is our mighty fortress and shield.

In God's strength we shall be healed.

In God's love we shall witness the Good News.

Come, let us worship God, grateful for God's wondrous power.

Open our hearts, Lord, that we might truly become bearers of peace and justice.

*Hymn: "Lead Kindly, Light" VU #640

Opening Prayer

Listening

Time for All Ages

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: "I Have Called You by Your Name" MV #161

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Isaiah 58:9-14 Luke 13:10-17

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: "A Time for All Things" Scottish folk tune

arranged by D. Wagner)

Offered by Angela and Marilyn Whiteway

Message: Rev. Max Martin

*Hymn: "Lord of the Dance" VU #352

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

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

*Offertory Prayer:

Spirit of Life, giver of every perfect gift, we offer our thanks for this life and its gifts. Bless these offerings and those given outside this time of worship. May our contributions both here and in every part of our lives—our time, our skills and our money—work towards a world of justice and peace. We pray that it be so, through the ministries of this congregation and the work we do together through Mission and Service. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: "Love Us into Fullness" MV #81

Commissioning:

Having been welcomed with grace, let us go out this day.

We will go to serve all of God's children, deciding to meet them where they are.

Having listened to God's Word, let us go to share what we have learned.

We will go to stand with those who are uncertain about life, to walk with those who have stumbled on their journey.

Having been set free by the Spirit, let us go to be siblings with all,

we will go to release those bound by cruelty and injustice, to bring healing to those frozen by fears.

* 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!**

*Congregational Benediction:

"Amen" VU #967

Postlude