



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



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, September 21st, 2025, 10:00am

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

*** Congregational Introit:**

"You Are Loved"

Mary-Ellen Kish

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

*** Lighting of the Affirming, Unity and Christ Candles**

Response: "We Are a Rainbow" vs. 1 & refrain

Centring Music

***Call to Worship:**

We come together as a community of faith,
Make us curious to your ways, O God.
As we sing, pray, speak, and listen,
Make us curious to your ways, O God.
As we seek ways of understanding about you and about
ourselves,
Fill our minds with curiosity and openness. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Creator God, You Gave us Life"

MV # 27

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn:** "Teach me God to Wonder"

VU #299

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Genesis 2:16-17 and 3:4-6
Matthew 7:7-8

The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Contemporary Reading

Anthem: "My Savior Leadeth Me"

Offered by Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: "The Practice of Curiosity"

Rev. Gloria Churchill

***Hymn:** There in God's Garden

VU #346

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

***Offertory Hymn:** "When We are Living"

VU# 581

***Offertory Prayer:**

For the gifts of this community of faith and for the willingness and the many ways to share these gifts we give thanks, Holy One. We ask your blessings on our offerings and us, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** “O Lord, Listen to your Children Praying” VU #400

Prayers of the People

***Hymn:** “Creator, Spirit, Living Word” VU #531

Sending Forth... AMEN!

Commissioning:

As we go from this place into our daily lives, O God,
Help us to focus our thoughts and our energy in positive ways.

As we deal with our everyday joys and struggles,
Help us to make good and wise choices, life-giving choices.

As we go forth into the world and into this day,
Help us to seek ways of understanding ourselves and others. Amen

***Congregational Benediction:** “Go Now in Peace” *Besig*

Postlude