



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

Sunday, October 5th, 2025, 10:00am

Communion Sunday Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

*** Congregational Introit:**

"Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary" MV #18

Recognition of the Land

Welcome and Announcements

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

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

Centring Music

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

***Call to Worship:**

We come into God's presence in awe and wonder at God's
great love for us all,
No matter who we are or what we have done.
Let our hearts be open to Holy Wisdom,
That we may be inspired to share God's love with all.

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

***Hymn:** "Who Is My Mother" MV #178

Scripture:

1 Samuel 16:7-13
Luke 19:1-5

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

Contemporary Reading

Anthem: "The Name of the Lord" *Joel Raney*
Offered by Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: "The Practice of Recognition"
Rev. Gloria Churchill

***Hymn:** "Come Touch Our Hearts" MV #12

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

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

***Offertory Prayer:**

**Thank you, God, for the opportunities you give us to
be a community of faith and for sharing our gifts
with the community around us. Bless all we give,
and all we receive. May these gifts be a blessing to
others. Amen.**

***Communion Hymn:**

“Bread of Life, Feed My Soul”

MV #194

Sacrament of Holy Communion

One: At this table we give thanks for justice, love, peace, and freedom.

All: At this table we give thanks for friends and strangers.

One: At this table we welcome young and not so young.

All: All are included. All are welcome. All are invited.

One: May God be with us.

All: God is here among us.

One: Let us open our hearts to God.

All: We open them to God and to one another.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Meal

Prayer after the Meal

***Hymn:** “I Have Called You by Your Name”

MV #161

Commissioning:

Extinguishing the Candles

***Congregational Benediction: “Amen”**

VU #967

Postlude