



ORCHARD VAL LEY UNITED CHURCH
 130 Cornwallis Ave.,
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, March 8, 2026, 10:00am

Third Sunday in Lent

(* = Please rise in body or spirit)(MV = More Voices)
 (VU =Voices United)(TS = Then Let Us Sing)

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* **Congregational Introit:** “Spirit Come” *by D. MacGregor*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

* **Litany of Diminishing Light:**

... Now is the time to let go of all that interferes with our relationship with God and nurture those parts of our lives that lead to wholeness and faithfulness.

God’s love and ours will not be hidden.

Recognition of the Land

Welcome

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

Centring Music

Call to Worship

Creator, you gather us at the well to drink living water
Come to us, God. Share with us this living water.

You have welcomed all to replenish their soul and brought us here as one human family.

Replenish our souls with the waters of welcome.

You do not turn us away from the well, no matter who we are, no matter where we’ve come from, and no matter what we’ve done.

We shall not turn away our siblings from the well.

Everyone is welcome here at this meeting place.

Everyone is welcome here for this is our meeting place.

This living water is for you, for me, for everyone!

This living water is for all of us!

Come, for we are all family and this is your place.

Let us worship.

* **Hymn:** “Come In, Come In and Sit Down” VU #395

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord’s Prayer

***Hymn:** “Little by Little” TLUS #134

Mission and Service

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Exodus 17:1-7..... Water from the rock
 John 4:5-30, 39-42 Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: **Be Thou My Vision** *by G. Youn*
offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: **“Gather Around the Water Cooler”**
Rev. Don Sellsted

***Hymn:** “Come, Let Us Sing” VU #222

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

***Offertory Hymn:**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” VU #541

***Offertory Prayer:**

**Loving God, with our gifts we offer you our very
selves, knowing you receive us as we are. Bless all that
we have to offer, so that we may become gifts to those
who encounter us through the grace of Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Work of the Congregation

***Hymn:** “All the Way My Saviour Leads Me” VU #635

***Commissioning / Extinguishing the Candles**

***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!**

*** Sung Benediction:** “My Peace”

Postlude