



**ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH**  
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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Sunday, March 15, 2026, 10:00am

**PIE Day**

**Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**Music as We Gather**

**Gathering**

\* **Congregational Introit:** "Spirit Come" *by D. MacGregor*

**Ringing of Tibetan Singing Bowl**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

\* **Litany of Diminishing Light:**

...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 and Announcements**

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

**Centring Music**

**Moderator's PIE Day Message**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPuXb9fVCZA>

**Call to Worship**

We come from many places, with different stories and hands ready to work.

**God who made us calls us to weave life together.**

Let us worship in the delights of diversity, and to God who knits community from thread and grace.

**We come to craft community, to listen, to heal, to commit.**

Let us never erect walls but instead build bigger tables.

**Our hope and imagination grow when diverse talents come together.**

Come let us worship God who draws us together today

\* **Hymn:** "Draw the Circle Wide" MV #145

**Opening Prayer**

**Listening**

**Learning With Our Children:**

Lighting of the Rainbow Candle

\***Hymn:** "Over the Rainbow" Chris Seymour

**Mission and Service**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture:**

Acts 11:1-10 ..... Peter's Report to the Church at Jerusalem

John 9:1-12 (13-17) ..... Jesus heals the man born blind

Psalm 23 .....God is my shepherd

The Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:** **23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm** *by H. Hill*  
*offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir*

**Message:**                **Suddenly an Ally**      *Rev. Don Sellsted*

**\*Hymn:**            “My Love Colours Outside the Lines”    MV #138

## **Celebrating**

### **Offering of Our Gifts**

**\*Offertory Hymn:**    “There is Room for All”                MV #62

### **\*Offertory Prayer:**

Gracious Creator, with all the offerings we bring to  
your table, today we uplift our offerings of love,  
kindness and empathy that is public, intentional and  
explicit. May we use our time talent and treasure to  
make your creation a better and brighter place for all.  
Amen.

### **Prayers of the People**

#### **The Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Hymn:**            “Bless Now, O God, the Journey”        VU #633

### **\*Commissioning and Benediction**

Go from this time with open eyes, ears and hearts,  
ready to encounter the Holy One  
in the daily, in the ordinary, in the flesh.

**We go from this time with a daring and tender love,  
seeking to mend God’s beloved creation,  
wherever and whenever we can.**

Know that God who is Love, goes with you,  
Within, beside and far ahead of you.

**We go into this day, into our life,  
trusting that we are held in the loving heart of the  
Holy Mystery...**

now and forever.

**Amen.**

**\* Sung Benediction:**    “My Peace”

## **Postlude**

*This bulletin is dedicated in memory of*

*Buzz and Barb Hine*

*who celebrated their March Birthdays together for 68 years!*

*Love from daughter, Heather Bishop*