



ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH
 130 Cornwallis Ave.,
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ORDER OF WORSHIP
 Sunday, May 3rd, 2026, 10:00am
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* **Congregational Introit: "We Are One"** VU #402(vs 1)

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Recognition of the Land

Welcome

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

Centring Music

Call to Worship

God is our Rock and our Fortress.
In God, we find refuge and strength.
 God's house has many dwelling places.
We will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
 Christ himself has gone to prepare a place for us.
Jesus is our way, our truth and our life.
 Let us worship now our God in Spirit and in Grace.

* **Hymn:** "Amazing Grace" VU #26

Opening Prayer

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn:** "It Only Takes a Spark" VU #289

Mission and Service: King's Seniors' Safety Check-In Program

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

1 Peter 2:2-10*A chosen race, a royal priesthood, living stones*
 John 14:1-14*I am the way, the truth, the life*
 The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem: **One Step Love Leads** *by P Chopin*
offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir

Message: **The God of Mystery** *by Rev Don Sellsted*

***Hymn:** "Spirit, Open My Heart" MV #79

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

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

***Offertory Prayer**

Generous God, we bless you for life renewed through Christ's love and through springtime growth in fields and gardens. Use the gifts we offer to bring hope and renewal to the world you love in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen

Prayers of the People

Work of the Congregation

***Hymn:** "May God's Sheltering Wings" MV #214

***Commissioning / Extinguishing the Candles**

***Benediction**

*** Hymn of Benediction:** "Amen" VU #973

Postlude