



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



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, July 26th, 2026, 10:00am

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

*** Congregational Introit:** "Come In, Come In and Sit Down"
(chorus only) VU #395

Call to Worship

Lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

We gather as people committed to Jesus' words of caring and serving all.

We light the Outreach Candle to reflect your goodness and spirit amongst us.

We gather as people who cherish and love our great diversity of life.

We light the Unity Candle, as love's flame burns within each of us for a world where all people are cherished.

We gather as people open to follow Christ's way.

The embracing glow of the Christ Candle gives us hope in Jesus' promise to rejoice and be glad in a life abundant.

Recognition of the Land

Opening Prayer: "An Affirmation of Hope" (in unison) VU #656

Welcome

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Centring Music

*** Hymn:** "This is the Day" VU #412

Listening

Learning With Our Children

The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn:** "I've Got Peace Like a River" VU #577

Mission and Service

Scripture:

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: *Offered by Thea Burton*

Message: **What's This All About?**

Rev. Thelma MacDonald

***Hymn:** "My Love Colours Outside the Lines" MV #138

Celebrating

Offering of Our Gifts

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

***Offertory Prayer:** (in unison)

**Loving God, bless the gifts that have been given
this morning.**

We give them with gratitude and thanksgiving.

**Use them for the continued work of Your ministry
here at Orchard Valley.**

Use them in mission and to help those in need.

Be glorified, we pray. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Work of the Congregation

***Hymn:** "I Have Called You by Your Name" MV #161

***Commissioning / Extinguishing the Candles**

***A Prayer for the Reign of Christ:** (in unison) VU #214

***Benediction**

*** Sung Benediction:** "Amen" VU #967

Postlude