



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

Sunday, September 20th, 2026, 10:00am
17th Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

* **Congregational Introit:** "You Are Loved"

M.E. Kish

Lighting the Candles

Recognition of the Land (*words on screen*)

Welcome

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

Centring Music

Call to Worship:

We enter into the Presence today,
Trusting in God's love through actions of grace.

We enter into the Presence today,
Called to be the most real we can be.

We enter into the Presence today,
Filled with joy and peace for one and all.

Now let us worship the Presence as we sing.

Pastoral Prayer:

*O Gracious Lord of mysterious abundance, as we
enter into a new season, a new month, a time of
spiritual renewal, may our voices express and sing*

*praises that are worthy of your eternal love. Let the
ray of sunshine that is shining through the clouds
point us in the right direction. Amen.*

* **Hymn:** "For the Fruit of all Creation"

VU #227

Listening

Learning with Our Children – *Every Child Matters*

The Lord's Prayer: "Our Creator..."

Hymn: "For Everyone Born"

TLUS #23

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Matthew 20:1-16

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "We Are Called"

Haas & Hayes

*Offered by the Orchard Valley United Church Choir
(please raise & wave hands in appreciation if able to do so)*

Reflection: Our Vineyard – The Windphone

Rev. Dr. Linda Marcotte

**We welcome Dawna MacIvor
Executive Director, Valley Hospice**

***Hymn:** "Holy Ground"

MV #174

Celebrating

Bringing forward our Offering

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

VU #541

Lighting the Vision & Mission Candle

*Offertory Prayer:

Your gifts have been showered upon us, but your gifts are not for ourselves alone.

Your gifts are meant to be shared, a response of love, joy, and generosity.

Bless these gifts and bless the givers and the recipients so that we may all know your love and grace. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Work of the Congregation

***Hymn:** “Let All Things Now Living” VU #242

*Extinguishing the Candles

*Blessing

Sung Blessing: “Go Now In Peace” *Besig*

Postlude

*This week's Worship Bulletin is sponsored by Sylvia Delisle
~ in loving memory of husband, Jacques Delisle ~*