



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



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, October 18th, 2026, 10:00am

Refugee Sunday/World Food Day Congregational Meeting

Music as We Gather

Gathering

***Congregational Introit:** "We're the Light of All the World"
*TLUS #30 (*adapted words on screen)*

Lighting the Candles

Recognition of the Land:

We live, work, play and pray in Mi'kma'ki, the
ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq
people.

We have respect for all people of this land as we live
out the United Church apology and move forward
towards being the community that the Creator calls
us to be together.

We give thanks for this land and recognize that we
are all treaty people.

Welcome

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

Centring Music

Call to Worship: *(words on screen)*

Pastoral Prayer: *(words on screen)*

Anthem: "Take My Life and Let it Be"

By F. Havergal/H. Malon

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

Listening

Learning with Our Children

Susan Rigby

Hymn: "Our Father, Our Mother (Notre Père, Notre Mère)"

TLUS #69

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

Matthew 25:31-46

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Rev. Tonn

Reflection: We welcome the Reverend Ruth Tonn

Rev. Tonn works with All4Aid Refugee Organization

***Hymn:** "Homeless People, Will You Listen"

(vs. 1&4 only) VU #696

Celebrating

***Offertory Hymn:**

"Grateful"

MV #182

Lighting our Reaching Out Candle

Offertory Prayer: *(words on screen)*

***Closing Hymn:** "Go Make a Diff'rence" (vs. 1&2) MV #209

Extinguishing the Candles

Blessing:

I saw a stranger today
I put food for him in the eating-place
And drink in the drinking-place
And music in the listening-place.
In the Holy Name of the Trinity
He blessed myself and my house
My goods and my family.
And the Lark said in her warble
Often, often, often
Goes Christ in the stranger's guise
Oh, oft, and oft and oft
Goes Christ in the Stranger's guise.

And the People said: **Amen!**

Sung Blessing:

"Amen"

VU #967

Postlude