ORCHARD VALLEY UNITED CHURCH

130 Cornwallis Ave., New Minas, NS B4N 3M7

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 08, 2026, 10:00 am

Remembrance Day Sunday

Music as We Gather

Gathering

***Congregational Introit:** "We're the Light of All the World"
TLUS #30 *Adapted words

We come in hope to still believe
In tomorrow's better day,
We come in peace in a world that's torn apart

We come in joy that will last
In all the struggles that we face,
We come in love that blooms and grows in every heart.

We are a rainbow,
Sign of covenant and peace
For the flood of tears will fin'lly cease to be.
Come shine your rainbow,
Splash your hues across the sky,

Share in worship now
Proud and bold and free
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Lighting the Christ Candle

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.

Centring Music

Welcome

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

Call to Worship

Song: "O Canada"

Last Post / 2 Minutes Silence/ Lament/ Rouse

Act of Remembrance

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.

Prayer

Laying of the Wreaths and Poppies

Listening

The Lord's Prayer

Children and Youth Depart for Sunday School

Prayer for Illumination:
All: Wisdom, we pray you make yourself known to us this day in our reading of worship, scriptures and ceremonies. Help us to interpret and understand your messages of wisdom and peace found in our Christian writings. Amen.

Readings & Scripture:
Christine Sappington – Municipal Councillor Reflection

"Flanders Fields" .....*Dr. John McCrae 1914/1915*

Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-20... *Wisdom makes herself known.*

Bless these scriptures for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Anthem: "I Believe in the Sun"
J. Adams

Words were found written on the walls of a house in Cologne, Germany written by a Jewish man in hiding. "I believe in the Sun, even when it is not shining. I believe in Love even when I feel lonely. I believe in God, even when God is silent."

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

Reflection: *Rev. Krista Anderson*

***Hymn:** "Abide With Me" VU #436 vs. 1,3,4

1 Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

3 I need your presence every passing hour;
what but your grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like yourself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

4 I have no fear with you at hand to bless;
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;
where is death's sting? Where, grave, your victory?
I triumph still, if you abide with me.

Celebrating

Lighting our Vision and Mission Candle

Bringing Forward Our Offering

*** Offertory Hymn:** "Grateful" MV #182

Grateful for the life you give us,
thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all,
O God of Love.
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.

Offertory Prayer:

All: Loving God, everything we possess is a gift from your hand. As we honor the memory of the fallen, accept these tithes and offerings. May they be used to heal a broken world, support the vulnerable, and walk the path of true peace. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Mission and Service

Work of the Congregation

*** Hymn:** "O God Our Help In Ages Past" VU #806

Vs. 1, 2, 5, 6

1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home:

2 under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure,
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.

5 Time like an ever-rolling stream
soon bears us all away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Extinguishing the Candles

***Benediction**

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

Postlude

This week's bulletin is sponsored by Pat Gunn
in loving memory of
parents, Lila and Malcolm Dennison, founding members of
New Minas United Church
and FO, Francis Dennison (RCAF), formerly of Grand Pre,
who lost his life in action, Dec 30, 1943 (at age 22)
buried in Surrey, Eng.