



Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, October 1, 2017

Thank you to the following people for their participation:

9:00 am Worship:

Leaders of Worship Rev Ivan and Judy Norton
Organist..... Dale Griffiths
Hospitality..... Margaret Hayes & Friends
Projectionist..... Gary Dunfield

11:00 am Worship:

Leaders of Worship Rev Ivan and Judy Norton
Organist/Music Director Ken Hassell
Special Musical Guests Debbie Mailman, Grace Oleskevich, Wayne MacDonald
Greeter..... Mary Crouch
Announcements/Scripture Reader Ian Godfrey
Communion Servers..... Ian Godfrey, Chris Seymour, Helen Seymour, Linda Foote, John Foote
Hospitality..... Sheila Francis, Jane McDonald, Donna Murphy
Tellers..... Jennie Bustin, Marion Buchan
Projectionist..... Sylvia Jacquard

Welcome all who worship with us today! Visitors are asked to sign our Guest Book. Please note that some staff, members and guests have serious allergies to scents; please do not wear ANY scented products into the church. Thank you.

FundScrip – The Men’s Group runs the “FundScrip” fundraising program. To obtain details on how the program works, please see one of the men at the back of the Sanctuary. Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Dates
October 1	October 8
October 15	October 22
October 29	November 5

Next Men’s Breakfast – The next OVPC Men’s Group Breakfast will be Sunday, October 1 at 7:30 am at the Circle K Big Stop, New Minas. This is a monthly breakfast, held the first Sunday of each month. All men are welcome.

Food Bank Sunday – Today, Sunday, October 1, is Food Bank Day. Again, we encourage you to bring in school snacks, juice packs, fruit packs, granola bars, tuna, canned meat, cereal, and pasta, etc. We also need peanut butter and canned fruit.

UCW-Wolfville Unit Meeting – The UCW Wolfville unit will be holding their meeting at Wickwire Place on Monday, October 2 at 2:00 pm.

Stewardship Soup Luncheon – Please join us for our monthly Soup & Dessert Luncheon on Tuesday, October 3. We'll be serving a choice of Hamburger Soup or Roasted Cauliflower Soup, homemade biscuits and rolls, tea/coffee, and Cake with Fruit Sauce for dessert, for \$8.00 per person. Lunch is served from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm. Take-outs are also available – please order by 10:00 am, Monday, October 2 by calling 902-681-0366, ext 1, or emailing OfficeOVU@bellaliant.com.

Worship Committee Meeting – The Worship Committee will meet on Tuesday, October 3 at 8:00 pm in the OVUC boardroom. PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE FOR THIS MONTH.

Property Committee Meeting – The Property Committee will meet Wednesday, October 4 at 4:00 pm.

SAIDSO Dementia Education Session – The Pastoral Care Committee is sponsoring an afternoon of Dementia Education, led by Marcy MacPherson. Marcy is a strong believer in being a CarePartner for someone living with dementia. She educates, learns from others, and shares her knowledge with people who live, love, and learn through dementia. She is a certified coach and trainer for Positive Approach to Care (Teepa Snow) and helps to explain dementia, offers tips and suggestions, and listens. The session will take place on Tuesday, October 10, from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm. There is no cost for attendance, however registration is requested so materials can be prepared. Please contact the OVUC office to register (902-681-0366 ext 1, officeovu@bellaliant.com).

Hurricane Irma Caribbean Relief – The United Church of Canada is accepting donations for relief efforts related to Hurricane Irma. The UCC works with several churches and agencies throughout the Caribbean region to assist with evacuations and emergency shelter where necessary, and to plan for post-storm responses. To donate to the Caribbean Relief, you may make a donation using an OVUC offering envelope with the notation “Caribbean Relief” in the “Other” section.

Reformation Sessions – This fall marks the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. 500 years ago next month Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses for Debate to the door of the castle church at Wittenburg, Germany and the Reformation began. It would be a shame not to mark this significant anniversary. Judy Norton would like to offer four sessions focussing on the Reformation. These would be informal and enjoyable, as well as (hopefully) informative, and would be based on several skits on the subject. This is what's being proposed:

1. **Martin Luther Comes to Kings County** – a look at some of the events of the early part of the Reformation;
2. **So Close to God, So Far from Each Other** – A discussion, from the perspective of Heaven, between Martin Luther, John Calvin and Pope Paul III, concerning what they believed;
3. **We Do Remember** – A discussion with King James about the King James Version of the Bible; and
4. **Christianity's Family Tree** (no skit) – Looking at the various branches of Christianity, and how they split (and amalgamated). Specific attention to the various denominations represented in our Kings County ancestry.

The sessions will be in the sanctuary Wednesday afternoons 3:30 – 5:00 pm from September 27 to October 18, inclusive. Please speak with Judy if you're interested.

Facilities Research Committee – The Facilities Research Committee has reconvened for the fall. During the summer, many were tasked on researching possible locations that as a congregation we might consider. They fall into four categories:

1. Purchase land and build;
2. Purchase building and land and re-purpose;
3. Expand and renovate existing structure and property; and
4. Rent space.

We will be taking the information that we have gathered from you over the weeks before summer and will start developing appropriate floor plans. This will help us in determining what space we actually need. We will continue to build on this work and are in the process of preparing information that will ultimately come to the congregation for a decision. We thank you for your input and patience as we work towards a solution that will be in the best interests of Orchard Valley.

Toward a Just Peace in Palestine/Israel – Valley Presbytery is Sponsoring: Toward a Just Peace in Palestine/Israel: Exploring Strategies for Change. **WOULD YOU LIKE TO**

- Broaden & deepen your understanding of the Palestine/Israel conflict?
- Hear how the United Church is responding to this crisis?
- Share and learn about strategies for change, and the “NO WAY TO TREAT A CHILD” campaign?

Thursday Oct. 19th 11:00 – 2:00 PM Berwick United Church.

This Week in the Orchard October 1–7, 2017

Sun, Oct 1	7:45 am	Men’s Breakfast (Irving Big Stop, New Minas)
	9:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Outreach Committee
Mon, Oct 2	10:00 am	Gentle Chair Yoga
	2:00 pm	UCW-W Meeting (Wickwire Pl, Wolfville)
	4:30 pm	Search Committee
Tues, Oct 3	11:45 am	Soup & Dessert Luncheon
	8:00 pm	Worship Committee
Wed, Oct 4	9:30 am	Stewardship Committee
	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	3:30 pm	Reformation Sessions
	4:00 pm	Property Committee
Thurs, Oct 5	1:30 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri, Oct 6	8:00 am	Friday Morning Breakfast Group

Worship for Seniors – October

Sun, Oct 1	2:30 pm	Kings Riverside Court (Kentville)
Fri, Oct 13	1:30 pm	Orchard Court Shannex (Kentville)
Wed, Oct 25	10:15 am & 11:00 am	Wolfville Elms & Wolfville Nursing Home
Mon, Oct 30	2:30 pm	Blomidon Court Shannex (Greenwich)

Community Events

Fall Study Series – 500 years ago this fall a monk named Martin Luther nailed 95 theses or propositions for debate to the door of the castle church in the German town of Wittenberg. Thus was begun what is known to history as the Protestant Reformation. We will be holding a six-part series looking at the Reformation at Aylesford United Church: Tuesday, September 12, 19, 26, October 10, 17, 24 at 7:00pm in the church parlour. Each session is approximately one hour in length. Facilitator: Rev. Dr. John Moses. All are welcome.

SHARE THANKSGIVING is a program for Nova Scotians to share a meal on Thanksgiving weekend with a foreign student or a newcomer family. It’s a unique opportunity for newcomers to experience a Nova Scotia custom and hospitality. For more information, or to sign up, call 902-407-2582, email sharethanksgiving@engagenovascotia.ca, or check the Engage Nova Scotia website: <http://engagenovascotia.ca>. More info on the bulletin board.

Conference : Spiritual Hospitality: Three Cultures of Care in Health Care – Thursday, October 26, 8:45 am – 3:30 pm (Registration 8:00 am – 8:45 am). The Old Orchard Inn, Greenwich. **Registration Deadline: Wednesday, October 18.** Registration Fee: \$30.00 (includes morning refreshments and lunch). Workshop leaders: The Rev. Dr. Debra Orton BA, M.Div., S.T.M., DMin and Senator Wanda Thomas Bernard. See bulletin board for registration forms.

Next Week’s Participants Sunday, October 8, 2017

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 Hospitality..... Margaret Hayes & Friends
 Projectionist..... Gary Dunfield

11:00 am Worship:

Leaders of Worship Rev Ivan and Judy Norton
 Organist..... Marilyn Whiteway
 Greeter..... Dorothy Robbins
 Announcements/Scripture Reader Peter Dekker
 Minute for Mission..... Judy Gilmour
 Hospitality..... Dorothy Robbins, Vera Burke, Dale MacArthur
 Tellers..... Jennie Bustin, Noreen MacGregor
 Projectionist..... Sylvia Jacquard

This week's bulletin is sponsored
in celebration of

my daughter Sarah's promotion

Happy Thanksgiving
from Dolores Burton