



Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, February 26, 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 and Friends
Teller/Projectionist..... Gary Dunfield

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Organist/Music Director Ken Hassell
Greeter..... Jean Millett
Announcements/Scripture Reader Ernie Draper
Minute for Mission..... Judy Gilmour
Hospitality..... Carol Dewar, Susanne Sweatman
Tellers..... Ernie Draper, Bruce Smith
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.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 5 following the 11:00 am service, with a potluck finger food lunch. Storm date is Sunday, March 19. Copies of the 2016 Annual Report are available this morning. There will also be a link on our website to the PDF.

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. The upcoming order and delivery dates are as follows:

Order Dates	Delivery Dates
February 19	February 26
March 5	March 12
March 19	March 26

Y’All Come to Pancake Supper on Tuesday – Tuesday, February 28, is Shrove Tuesday – “Pancake Day!” The Y’All Come to Supper that evening will have pancakes on the menu. The meal will start at 5:00 pm (not 5:30) and there will be craft activities and a story for the children following the supper. At 6:00(ish)

there will be a brief worship service with ashes for those who would like them. This will be our Ash Wednesday emphasis for this year.

Council Meeting Change of Date – The Church Council Meeting has been changed to Wednesday, March 1 at 6:30 pm. (Please note change in date and time). At the end of this meeting, we will take some time to study the Remits from General Council. These are changes to the Basis of Union that require the approval of congregations and presbyteries. Council is responsible for studying and voting on behalf of congregations. If you would like to have a look at some of the material before the meeting, the link is: www.gc42.ca/remits. Everyone from the congregation is welcome to attend to learn about the remits and join in the discussion. Only Council members can vote.

Valley Foodgrains Bank Project – February Blueberry Sale – Orders for 5 lb boxes of blueberries from Blueberry Acres will be taken till February 26. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. The cost is \$20 for the 5 lb box, with \$4.00 going to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. This will be matched 4:1 by the Government. Thank you for assisting people in developing countries to improve their way of life. **Berries will be brought to the church on Friday, March 3, 5:30 pm.** With your donations, we were able to send a donation of \$2,000 to the CFGB for 2016. This will be matched 4:1.

Next Men's Breakfast – The next OVPC Men's Group Breakfast will be Sunday, March 5 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.

March Food Bank Sunday – For March, we are asking for boxed cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, muffin mix, peanut butter, jam, tea, coffee, etc. All other food items will be greatly appreciated. OVUC should be proud of your donations to the Fundy Food Bank - 80 kg in February. Thank you on behalf of the Food Bank – Sue Smith.

March Soup & Dessert Luncheon – Our March Soup & Dessert Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, March 7, from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm. The menu consists of a choice of either Italian Wedding Soup or Tomato Tortellini Soup, homemade rolls and biscuits, cupcakes and ice cream for dessert, and tea/coffee. The price is \$8.00 per person. Take-out / local delivery is available – please call 902-681-0366 ext 1 (or email the office) no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, March 6, to place your order.

“Come and Follow Me” – One of the ways that we follow Jesus is through our involvements in the church. If you would like to become a member of Orchard Valley United Church, either by Profession of Faith, or by Transfer from another congregation or denomination, please speak with Ivan or Judy.

Sponsor A Bulletin – You are invited to dedicate a Sunday bulletin. For a suggested donation of \$20, each dedication will be gratefully acknowledged. Please contact the office for more information (902-681-0366, officeOVU@bellaliant.com).

Transportation / Pastoral Care Needs – If you need help with transportation to/from worship or if you would like to receive pastoral care, please contact the office (902 681-0366, officeOVU@bellaliant.com).

This Week in the Orchard – February 26 – March 4, 2017

Sun, Feb 26	9:00 am	Worship Service (Contemporary)
	11:00 am	Worship Service (Traditional)
Mon, Feb 27	10:30 am	Spirit Yoga
	5:30 pm	Midwinter Mondays – Cooking
	7:00 pm	Midwinter Mondays – Genealogy & Guitar
Tues, Feb 28	3:00 pm	Congregational Life Committee
	5:00 pm	Y'All Come to Pancake Supper
Wed, Mar 1	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	11:00 am	Lunch with the Chair (Wolfville)
	4:00 pm	Property Committee
	6:30 pm	Church Council
Thurs, Mar 2	1:30 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
	7:00 pm	JNAC (tentative)
Fri, Mar 3	8:00 am	Friday Morning Breakfast Group
	2:00 pm	World Day of Prayer (St John's Anglican)
	2:00 pm	World Day of Prayer (King's Presbyterian)
	5:30 pm	VFGP Blueberry Pick-up

Worship for Seniors – February

Mon, Feb 27	2:30 pm	Shannex Greenwich
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Community Events (please see the bulletin board for more information)

World Day of Prayer (Wolfville) – The World Day of Prayer will be held at St. John's Anglican Church, 164 Main Street, Wolfville, on Friday, March 3, at 2:00 pm. All welcome to attend.

World Day of Prayer 2017 (New Minas)– The World Day of Prayer Service will be held at Kings Presbyterian Church, 5562 Prospect Road, New Minas, on Friday, March 3 at 2:00 pm. Storm Date – March 10, 2:00 pm. This year's service was written by the women of the Philippines. All welcome.

International Women's Day – On Thursday, March 9, 5:00 pm, join us to celebrate International Women's Day 2017 by welcoming Senator Wanda Thomas Bernard, Ph.D., speaking about this year's IWD theme: Finding Courage and Inspiration to be Bold for Change. This International Women's Day event will be used as a vehicle for positive change, by encouraging all participants to be a leader within our own spheres of influence. This event is sponsored and hosted by the Acadia University Faculty Association Women's Committee. The event is free and open to everyone. We will be collecting a freewill offering for the Association of Black Social Workers & Chrysalis House. For more information on IWD please visit www.internationalwomensday.com/.

Julia Llewellyn Benefit – Roast Turkey Dinner and Silent Auction, Saturday, March 11 (Storm date, March 12), 4:30 – 6:30 pm. Freewill Offering (\$12.00 suggested minimum). There will also be gift baskets from each organization she participated in, for raffle. This will be held at the Waterville Fire Hall on Hwy 1. (Julia served on Presbytery for a number of years, and her husband was one of the "Waterville 8".)

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Happy 10th Birthday
Grace Oleskevich
February 27, 2017
With love from Mama & Daddy