



# Orchard Valley United Church

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## Announcements for Sunday, October 8, 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..... 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

**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:

<b>Order Dates</b>	<b>Delivery Dates</b>
October 1	October 8
October 15	October 22
October 29	November 5

**Office Closure** – Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the office will be closed on Monday, October 9. Happy Thanksgiving!!!

**Covenanter Committee Meeting** – The Covenanter Church Committee will meet at 10:00 am on Tuesday, October 10, at the Lower Horton Community Centre.

**Dementia Education Session** – The Pastoral Care Committee is sponsoring an afternoon of Dementia Education, led by Marcy MacPherson. 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).

**Reformation Sessions** – This fall marks the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. We are offering four sessions focussing on the Reformation. The sessions are held Wednesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm:

- **This week: *We Do Remember*** – A discussion with King James about the King James Version of the Bible; and
- **Next week: *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.

**Finance Committee Meeting** – The Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 11, at 7:00 pm in the boardroom.

**OV-UCW Meeting** – The OV-UCW will meet on Monday, October 16 at 1:00 pm at OVUC. The Program Project is Making “Poverty Dolls” to raise awareness of Child Poverty in Nova Scotia. These will be distributed to Government Officials with a message of their use attached. PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE. All women of the congregation are welcome.

**An Evening of Comedy and Music** – The Stewardship Committee invites you to come and enjoy an evening of comedy and music, featuring Susan Carter and Jon Hemingway, on Saturday, October 21 at 7:30 pm. Admission by freewill offering. "Clean comedy because you never know when Mom will show up!" Donations of cookies for the event would be gratefully appreciated. Please contact Judy Gilmour ([judygilmour@gmail.com](mailto:judygilmour@gmail.com)) or the office if able to help.

**7th Canucopia Food Bank Drive** – Saturday, October 28, is Orchard Valley’s 7th Canucopia Food Drive, which will be held at the Atlantic Superstore in New Minas from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Please watch for the sign-up sheet in the next couple of Sundays. All donations (food or monetary) will be divided between the three local food banks (Fundy, Canning & Wolfville). OVUC needs your support for this worthy cause.

**Financial Update** – Our offerings to September 30th were as follows:

	<b>Actual Offering</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Shortfall</b>
Envelopes for Local Purposes	\$110,811	\$114,500	(\$3,689)
Loose Offering	2,929	3,550	(621)
Mission and Service	23,995	24,380	(385)

**To the congregation of Orchard Valley United Church:**

I want to convey to the family of Orchard Valley United my sincere thanks for the opportunity to work with you over the past two and a half years. Your dedication to the life and work of the Church is truly inspiring. I have particularly appreciated the work of the Transition Team and of Judy and Ivan Norton over this time. I know that the congregation will benefit from this time long after we have completed this phase of the work.

I want to convey my thanks for your wonderful gifts as we completed our work. My “Certificate of Achievement” commemorating survival of the Orchard Valley United Church Transition has a prominent

place in my work station. I love it. The Aspinall pottery is a much-appreciated addition to our collection. Joyce and I look forward to making good use of the gift certificate to the Lucy Maud Dining Room at the Culinary Institute.

We will follow with interest your progress as a congregation. You will always be in our thoughts and prayers as we remember with great fondness our connection with Orchard Valley United Church. With every good wish, Bill & Joyce MacLeod.

**A Note from Moderator Jordan Cantwell** – In a pastoral letter written this past March, Moderator Jordan Cantwell wrote,

As Christians, we must root out fear, and commit to spiritual and social practices that help us to ground our actions and attitudes in love. If we give in to fears based on religious or racial grounds, we will be providing fertile ground for hate and extremism to flourish. Let us instead cultivate love, understanding, and acceptance of each other.

In light of this weekend’s events in Edmonton, now being investigated by police as acts of terrorism, the Moderator’s words merit being read again so that they take root and remind us that we need to be vigilant against all forms of extremism and xenophobic rhetoric.

### **This Week in the Orchard October 8–14, 2017**

Sun, Oct 8	9:00 am	Worship Service
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Mon, Oct 9	<b>OFFICE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING</b>	
	POSTPONED	Pastoral Care Committee (rescheduled to Monday, October 16)
	CANCELLED	Gentle Chair Yoga
Tues, Oct 10	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Covenanter Church Committee (Lower Horton)</b>
	1:30 pm	Dementia Education Workshop
Wed, Oct 11	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	3:30 pm	Reformation Sessions
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>
	7:00 pm	WAICC (Wolfville)
Thurs, Oct 12	9:00 am	Meet Your Feet Footcare Clinic (OVUC)
	1:30 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri, Oct 13	8:00 am	Friday Morning Breakfast Group

### **Worship for Seniors – October**

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

**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, October 19, 11:00–2:00 pm at Berwick United Church.

**Creation Ministries** – Thomas Bailey from Creation Ministries International is giving a presentation at Kingsway Assembly Friday October 13th @ 7pm. The following website link includes a promo packet with a video: <https://creation.com/calendar>.

**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 began 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.

**Port Williams Soup Lunch** – The October Corn Chowder/Hamburger Soup Luncheon at the Port Williams United Baptist Church will be taking place on Wednesday, October 18 from 11:30 to 1:00 pm in Lockwood Hall. As always, we will have a great choice of delicious desserts, fresh bread, tea and coffee. The cost is \$8. and we look forward to seeing you there! (Sponsored by the Loyal Workers of PWUBC)

**Annapolis Valley Honour Choir** – The Annapolis Valley Honour Choir’s first concert of the season, “Shall We Dream,” shares the emotional journey of those leaving behind a homeland in a search for a better tomorrow. Two performances of this must-see concert will take place at the Horton High School Performance Centre on October 21 (7pm) and October 22 (2:30pm). Arabic musical guests from the University of Toronto will be featured in our concert and will offer a public workshop on Sunday October 22nd from 10:00 – noon at Acadia University’s Denton Hall. A free will offering will support the travel costs for our guest speakers. Concert tickets can be purchased at any Ticketpro outlet ([www.ticketpro.ca](http://www.ticketpro.ca)) and are \$15 for adults and \$5 for children/students (plus Ticketpro fees) or \$20 (\$10 for children/students) at the door if available. For further concert information or AVHC news, check the website [www.avhc.ca](http://www.avhc.ca) or [www.valleyevents.ca](http://www.valleyevents.ca).

**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, MDiv, STM, DMin and Senator Wanda Thomas Bernard. See bulletin board for registration forms.

**Safe Driving Course** – St. John's Anglican Church, 164 Main St. Wolfville, Saturday, October 28, starting at 10:00 am. Luncheon included. Price is \$20 per person. Limited number of tickets. Please call Elizabeth Biggs at 902-542-5944 to reserve your ticket. "Prepare for winter & boost your driving skills."

**Next Week's Participants**  
**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

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This week's bulletin is sponsored in loving memory of

**Donald Craig**  
**1923-2011**

From Mary Craig