Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, March 17, 2019

Thank you to the following people for their participation:

9:00 am Worship:	
Leader of Worship	Rev Don Sellsted
Organist	Rev Don Sellsted Thea Burton
Hospitality	Margaret Hayes & Friends
Projectionist	Gary Dunfield
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Music Director/Organist	Ken Hassell
KPPT Greeter	Vangé Leslie
Greeter	
Candle Lighter	tba
Announcements / Scripture Reader	Linda Swindells
Minute for Mission	Iudy Gilmour
Hospitality	Helen Gill, Valerie Mosher, Donna Murphy
	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.

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, March 17, 2019 – Genesis 15:1–12, 17–18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:17—4:1, Luke 13:31–35.

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

March 17 March 24 March 31 April 7 April 14 April 21

OV-UCW – The Orchard Valley UCW is expanding. Join us on Monday, March 18 at 2:00 pm to combine an afternoon of Prayer Shawl ministry with the business of the UCW.

Covenanter Committee Meeting – The Covenanter Church Committee will meet next Tuesday, March 19, at 10:00 am at OVUC.

Evening Prayer Shawl Ministry – The evening Prayer Shawl Group will meet on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm.

Y'All Come to Supper – The next Y'All Come to Supper will be on Tuesday, March 26. The meal is yet to be determined. The meal will be at 5:00 pm. Everybody is welcome. Free will offering. Please call the office (902-681-0366 ext 1) or email (AdminOVC@bellaliant.com) to let us know you are coming.

Special Worship Guest – Mat Whynott will join us on March 31 to celebrate the work of Sherbrooke Lake Camp. Mat has been involved in the camp as a counselor-in-training, summer director, parent and now Executive Director.

April Soup & Dessert Luncheon – Please join us for our next soup luncheon on Tuesday, April 2, from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm. We'll be serving Wild Rice & Chicken Soup or Gingered Carrot Soup, Homemade Biscuits/Rolls, and Cake with Rhubarb Sauce for dessert, plus tea and coffee, for \$8 per person. Take-out or delivery is also available – please order by noon, Monday, April 1 by calling 902-681-0366, ext 1, or emailing AdminOVU@bellaliant.com.

Confirmation! Become a Member of the United Church

- Are you 13 years old or older?
- Ever think about becoming a member of the Church?
- Ever think about joining with the people of God and enjoying the fellowship? If so, I would love to hear from you. Confirmation classes are the pathway to becoming a full

member of the United Church by understanding what we believe while exploring faith and values.

Membership Transfer! Have you made Orchard Valley your church family? Are you looking to transfer your existing membership here? We would love to hear from you. Please let the office know and we would be excited to be part of the transition experience.

Affirming Church – Orchard Valley United has made the exciting decision to pursue becoming an Affirming Church. We are seeking people who would be interested in joining our group to help our congregation in this journey.

Lenten Study Series – This study series focuses on the last week of Jesus' earthly life, Holy Week, from his jubilant entry in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday to the week's climax on Easter Sunday. We will run two sessions, meeting once a week for six weeks. One session will be held on Monday nights at 7:00 pm and the other on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 pm. More information is on the bulletin board.

Temporary Custodian – Please welcome Glenda Singer, our temporary custodian while Louis Lightfoot is on leave. Thank you to Dick Clattenburg, Jim Dewar, John Foote, Pat Foote, Ian Godfrey, Harvey Gilmour, Sylvia Jacquard, Dale MacArthur, Norma Mailman, Debbie Selig, Chris Seymour, Helen Seymour, and many others who helped fill the gap and searched for a replacement.

Weather Cancellations – In the event that one or more of our Sunday Worship services is cancelled due to weather, a message will be left on the OVUC phone and website. We will also do our best to send out an email (but cannot guarantee this option will be available). We also

endeavour to place cancellation messages with all the local radio stations. In the event of a power outage, your first source for cancellation news should always be our phone line – 902-681-0366.

This Week in the Orchard March 17–23, 2019

Sun, Mar 17	9:00 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	1 st Worship Service Communications Committee 2 nd Worship Service
Mon, Mar 18	10:30 am 2:00 pm	Gentle Yoga OV-UCW Meeting / Prayer Shawl Group
	7:00 pm	Board of Trustees / Facilities Committee (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	Lenten Study Session (Boardroom)
Tues, Mar 19	10:00 am	Covenanter Church Committee
	2:00 pm	Lenten Study Session (Boardroom)
	7:00 pm	Evening Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wed, Mar 20	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	7:00 pm	Chimes Practice
Thurs, Mar 21	1:30 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri, Mar 22	8:00 am	Friday Women's Breakfast Group

Worship for Seniors - March 2019

Mon, Mar 25	10:30 am	Blomidon Court, Greenwich Shannex, Leading – Pat Godfrey
Wed, Mar 27	10:15 am & 11:00 am	Wolfville Elms and Wolfville Nursing Home Leading – tba

Community Events

(check the bulletin board in the church foyer for further information)

Gospel Lights in Concert – Enjoy an evening of Southern Gospel music with Gospel Lights in concert. Have your spirits uplifted as we celebrate the faithfulness of Jesus. Sunday, March 17 at 7:00 pm. St. James Anglican Church, 18 Prospect Ave, Kentville.

Port Williams Soup Lunch – The Loyal Workers of Port Williams United Baptist Church invite you to our "Surely It'll Be Spring?" Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder luncheon on Wednesday, March 20, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Cost is \$8 per person and as always we will be offering a great array of delicious desserts, fresh breads, tea and coffee. (PLEASE NOTE: snow date of Thursday, March 21, announcements of a change will be made on the Church Facebook page, AVR, K-Rock and on valleyevents.ca.)

Safe Medicines for Seniors and Caregivers Workshop – Caregivers Nova Scotia will host a Safe Medicines for Seniors and Caregivers workshop in New Minas on Wednesday, March 27 at New Minas Baptist Church, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm. (Snow date: April 10 at 10:00 am) This workshop looks at the safe use of medicines at home and pays special attention to the caregiver's role in administering and managing medications for their care recipients. Caregivers who are seniors themselves will also find it useful. You'll receive a useful guide Safe Medicines for Seniors: A Guide for Caregivers as well as information on how to use it. This workshop will be delivered together with a community pharmacist. The event is free but seating is limited. Please register in advance by calling Jennine Wilson at 902-680-8706, or the toll-free number 1-877-488-7390.

Empowered to Connect Conference Simulcast. Date: April 5-6, 10:45 am-7:00 pm. Location: Salvation Army Kentville, 15 Nichols Ave. Featuring TBRI ® (Trust-Based Relational Intervention), it is ideal for anyone who walks alongside children and youth in any capacity: PARENTS (birth, step, foster, adoptive, grandparents); PROFESSIONALS (social workers, therapists, educators, health care providers, pastors); CAREGIVERS (community respite, children's ministry volunteers). Buy tickets & Register: Eventbrite.ca: Empowered to Connect Conference Simulcast 2019 - Annapolis Valley (tickets online - \$40 per person or \$50 per couple for the complete event, includes snacks and access to a viewing guide). Hosted locally by Forever Families of Canada (Come Alongside Network). Find us on Facebook: Come Alongside Network.

A.R.T. A Thon – If you love changing lives and having fun, this is the event for you! Only 50 seats available. Single day event – April 27, 2019. Two 2-hour art classes instructed by local artists Rachel Reeve & Heather Porter. Create two beautiful masterpieces using different art mediums to take home as reminders of your contribution to Ourhouse. Tickets \$100. Collect sponsorship pledges from family, friends, co-workers, businesses. Fee includes 2 art classes, buffet lunch (keto options available), dessert and beverage plus fellowship and fun! Chance to win 1 of 3 prizes donated by local artists including an original Holly Carr painting! Doors open at 9:30 am to collect pledge sheets and donations. First art class starts at 10:00 am sharp! We encourage everyone to register early to get a head start on fundraising for your chance to win some fantastic prizes! For Pledge Sheets call or email Denise Young at 902-678-1964 or email denise@ourhouserecovery.org.

Streams of Justice – All are invited to join KAIROS Atlantic from May 2–5, 2019, in Streams of Justice, a diverse, inter-generational gathering at Mount Allison University in Sackville, NB on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. Develop advocacy skills. Explore the work of KAIROS. Create meaningful connections. People from all ranges of age, experience, ability, background, and faiths are welcomed into this space to continue an active dialogue on Migrant Justice, Ecological Justice, Indigenous Rights, the KAIROS Blanket Exercise, and Women of Courage. Please note, the early-bird registration deadline is March 4. The registration deadline is April 15.

Next Week's Participants Sunday, March 24, 2019

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This week's bulletin is sponsored in loving memory of my husband

Gerry Buchan

By Marion Buchan