

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, February 2, 2020

Thank you to the following people for their participation:

9:00 am Worship:

Leader of Worship..... Rev Don Sellsted
Organist.....Dale Griffiths
Hospitality..... Margaret Hayes, Edith Scaife

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Music Director / OrganistKen Hassell
KPPT Greeter.....Joy Waterbury
Greeter tba
Candle Lighter..... Teagan Murphy
Announcements / Scriptures..... Mary McFarlane
Communion Servers..... John & Linda Foote, Sheila Francis,
Valerie Mosher, Cheryl Sellsted, Mindy Vinqvist-Tymchuk
Hospitality Doris Laurence, Betty Rockwell, Cheryl Sellsted
Tellers Helen Gill, David Ward
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
February 2	February 9
February 16	February 23
March 1	March 8

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, February 2, 2020 – Micah 6:1–8, Psalm 15, 1 Corinthians 1:18–31, Matthew 5:1–12.

Men’s Breakfast – The men of OVUC will meet at the Irving Big Stop on Sunday, February 2, at 7:45 am for Men’s Breakfast. Come early to get the early bird special. All men of the congregation are welcome.

Holy Communion, February 2 – The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 11:00 am Worship Service on Sunday, February 2.

Food Bank Sunday – The Fundy Food Bank would like to thank the congregation for all your support throughout 2019. This past year, the Food Bank served 753 families, which included 6,504 individuals (1,867 children and 4637 adults). The total food distributed was 83,769 kgs. OVUC donated a total of 2,180 kgs! Sunday, February 2, is Food Bank Sunday. We would ask that when you are thinking about what to donate to the Food Bank, think about what you would like to see on your own table. Thank you!

Affirming Committee Meeting – Our Affirming Committee did not manage to meet on Sunday, January 19. Instead, we will meet on Sunday, February 2 following Coffee Time in the sanctuary.

Outreach Committee Meeting – There will be an Outreach Committee meeting in the small meeting room on Sunday, February 2, at 12:30 pm.

Soup & Dessert Luncheon – Please join us at OVUC for our monthly Soup & Dessert Luncheon on Tuesday, February 4. We'll be serving a choice of French Ham & Vegetable Soup or Borscht (Beet) Soup, freshly-made biscuits, tea/coffee, and a homemade dessert, for \$8.00 per person. Lunch is served from 11:45 am to 1:00 pm. Take-out or delivery is also available – please order by noon, Monday, February 3 by calling 902-681-0366, ext 1, or emailing AdminOVU@bellaliant.com.

Property Committee Meeting – The Property Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 5, at 3:00 pm.

Walk a Mile, Skate a While (REVISED) – Let's keep our church family in community with each other this winter! On February 8, from **11:30 am to 12:30 am**, we will gather at the Acadia Arena in Wolfville for a time of either skating or walking the track, followed by a pizza lunch back at OVUC. Participants who wish to skate must wear a helmet. It is mandatory at Acadia University Arena. Please contact the office to sign up for pizza (free will offering).

Men's Fellowship Soup Lunch – Our next Men's Fellowship Soup Luncheon will be held on Friday, February 14, at noon when our guest speaker will be Robert Lutes. Mr. Lutes is a retired Chief Crown Prosecutor for NS and will speak on "Helping with the Reintegration of Ex-Offenders". Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer or let the office know so we can buy the proper amount of supplies.

Lipskey Birthday Party – The family of Fred Lipskey invite friends to his 80th birthday celebration on Sunday, February 16, from 2:00-4:00 pm at Orchard Valley United Church. Best wishes only.

Coldest Night of the Year Walk – The Seekers have ongoing fundraising efforts for the Walk:

- Collecting cans and bottles to return for refund – Can be brought in until February 16;
- Epicure orders – Catalogues are at the back of the church. Kelly Messom will contribute a portion of her commission to the Walk; and
- Knit toques – Beautiful warm toques, many colours to pick from. \$20 each, all goes to the Walk.

Sponsor sheets are on the back table. Donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt. Our team fundraising goal is \$2,000. Thank you to everyone for helping us help others.

Finance Committee Meeting – The Finance Committee will meet Wednesday, February 19, at 7:00 pm in the OVUC boardroom.

Coffee Volunteers – We need a few volunteers for preparing coffee/tea and a snack for Coffee Time on Sundays. You would be on a team of three/four and the schedule works out to 3–4 times a year. You would have a list and can trade dates if needed. Men are welcome. Please consider this and contact the office to be put on the list.

Tax Receipts – Charitable tax receipts for 2019 are available for pick-up from the mailboxes outside the Sanctuary door. If you would like your tax receipt snail-mailed or emailed, please contact the office at (902) 681-0366 ext 1. Any receipts not picked up by February 15 will be mailed to the recipients.

Visitation/Prayer Requests – To ask for prayers or for a visit can be difficult at times. There are visitation or prayer request slips available at the back of the church. Feel free to pick one up and place it in the offering tray, or in the “Little Wooden Church” box’ on the entry table, or to the minister directly if you prefer.

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.

We’re on Facebook – Did you know we are on Facebook? Here we share updates on the UCC and Orchard Valley United including upcoming events and church notifications. Find us by searching and “liking” us at @orchardvalleyuc or at <https://www.facebook.com/orchardvalleyuc/>

This Week in the Orchard February 2–8, 2020

Sun, Feb 2	7:45 am	Men’s Breakfast (Irving Big Stop)
	9:00 am	Family Worship Service
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service
	12:30 pm	Affirming Committee (sanctuary)
	12:30 pm	Outreach Committee (small meeting room)
Mon, Feb 3	10:30 am	Spirit Yoga
	2:00 pm	UCW-W Meeting (Wickwire Pl)
	7:00 pm	Steeple Strummers
Tues, Feb 4	11:45 am	Soup & Dessert Luncheon
	7:00 pm	Worship Committee
Wed, Feb 5	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	3:00 pm	Property Committee
	4:00 pm	Chimes Practice
Thurs, Feb 6	10:00 am	Hope New Minas / Al Anon Family Group
	1:00 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri, Feb 7	8:00 am	Friday Women’s Breakfast Group
Sat, Feb 8	11:30 am	Walk a Mile / Skate a While (Acadia)
	1:00 pm	Pizza Party (OVUC)

Worship for Seniors – February 2020

Sun, Feb 9	2:30 pm	Kings Riverside Court, Kentville
Fri, Feb 21	1:30 pm	Orchard Court Shannex, Kentville
Mon, Feb 24	10:30 am	Blomidon Court Shannex, Greenwich
Wed, Feb 26	10:15 am & 11:00 am	Wolfville Elms & Wolfville Nursing Home

Community Announcements

(see bulletin board for more information)

Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group – The Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group meetings are held on Thursdays from 10:00–11:00 am at OVUC. Those attending are asked to use the back door of the church.

Kings-Kikima Grannies Valentine’s Jewellery Sale – February 8, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Once-loved jewellery, collector plates, knitted items, re-imagined art pieces, etc. Wolfville Lions’ Hall, at the corner of Elm Avenue and Dykeland Street in Wolfville.

WAICC Sock Drive – Please bring new or very gently used socks to the marked cloth bin in the sanctuary by Sunday, February 9. The socks will be distributed to local organizations for their use. Sponsored by the Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council.

Pastoral/Palliative Care Volunteer Course – Queen’s College Faculty of Theology will offer a free, online certificate program Mondays, 6:30–8:00 pm (NS time), starting February 10 and finishing March 30, to “equip interested individuals with the knowledge and skills for effective pastoral visitation and spiritual support ministries to people in their homes, in hospitals and in long-term care facilities.” For more info including a list of topics, please see the bulletin board or email queens@mun.ca. If interested in doing the course with others in Wolfville, contact WAICC rep Andy Pitter.

Tatamagouche Centre: Licensed Lay Worship Leaders Retreats –

- Learning Unit 2: Lent, Holy Week, Easter - February 21 – 23, 2020
- Learning Unit 3: Pentecost/Preaching - May 1 – 3, 2020

To see more retreats and/or to register, go to

<https://www.tatacentre.ca/programs/licensed-lay-worship-leader-training-wilderness-and-wonder-2020/>

Winter Gaming Retreat: February 28 to March 1, 2020 – A weekend get-away to play tabletop roleplaying games! A supportive, peer-led weekend to try playing and leading games for the first time. Some of the themes we explore together: how to make the move from player to game leader; how to build inclusion and community; and how to support diversity, disability, and mental health through Roleplaying Games. This event is designed for people aged 18 and above. Minors will be considered on a case-by-case basis with parental accompaniment and/or consent. Leadership of this retreat is a collaboration between Heroes and Adventurers and the Tatamagouche Centre, supported by a volunteer committee. Everyone is invited to help the event happen by taking on a volunteer role during the weekend. 2SLGBTQ+ Inclusive. We seek to create safer spaces for all abilities and identities at our gaming tables! Registration Deadline is February 16th! Can't afford it? Apply for a bursary by February 4th! To learn more and register, go to <https://www.tatacentre.ca/programs/winter-gaming-retreat-2020/>.

Intermediates at Conference is Looking for Facilitators – Intermediates at Conference is looking for facilitators for 2020! I@C is youth event for grades 7-9, that is only made possible by our incredible volunteers. If you have a passion for youth, and are looking for a way to give back to the youth in our church, we would love for you to join our team! Facilitators need to be at least 18 years old by the start of conference, and be available from May 21-24, 2020, complete the form at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc92TWhKd0Fsf_NJ56se9cgZWnbcdpkOHOU0CwwwOn04SeG4w/viewform.

Next Week's Participants Sunday, February 9, 2020

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 Minute for Mission Judy Gilmour
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 Tellers Andrea Purvis, David Ward
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This week's bulletin is sponsored
 in memory of my husband

Gerry Buchan

By Marion Buchan