Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, March 15, 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
11:00 am Worship:	
Leader of Worship	Rev Don Sellsted
Music Director / Organist	Ken Hassell
KPPT Greeter	Jean Millett Ian Godfrey tba
Greeter	Ian Godfrey
Candles	tba
Announcements / Scriptures	Mary McFarlane
	Judy Gilmour
Hospitality	Sylvia Jacquard, Judy Maxwell, Valerie Mosher
Tellers	Marion Buchan, Carol Wooster
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.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for **this Sunday**, March 15 following the 11:00 am service. The storm date is Sunday, March 22. Copies of the Annual Report are available on our website.

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 15	March 22
March 29	April 5
April 12	April 19

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, March 15, 2020 – Exodus 17:1–7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1–11, John 4:5–42.

Newsletter Articles – Our Easter Newsletter will be published on April 5, the beginning of Holy Week. If you have an Easter-themed article or a story you would like to share with the congregation, please send it to the office no later than Sunday, March 22. We would love to include stories from our congregation.

Y'All Come to Supper – The next Y'All Come for Supper will be on Tuesday, March 31. The meal will be a roast beef dinner, with fruit cocktail cake for dessert. The meal will be at 5:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. Free will offering. Please email (AdminOVU@bellaliant.com) or call the office (902-681-0366 ext 1) to let us know you are coming.

Children's Lunch – Orchard Valley is offering a children's lunch along with crafts, games, popcorn and a movie, Saturday, April 4, 11:00 am until 2:00 pm. This event is for children ages 4–12; younger children are welcome but would need adult accompaniment. Let us know of allergies and we will try to accommodate. If there are people in the congregation who would like to help out with the children's activities, it would be greatly appreciated. Please register with the office (902-681-0366 ext 1 or email (AdminOVU@bellaliant.com) to register your child/children.

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 March 15–21, 2020

Sun, Mar 15	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service
	12:00 pm	Light Lunch
	12:30 pm	ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
Mon, Mar 16	10:30 am	Spirit Yoga
	2:00 pm	OV-UCW Meeting & Program
	7:00 pm	Steeple Strummers
Tues, Mar 17		n/a
Wed, Mar 18	10:00 am	Lectionary Group
	4:00 pm	Chimes Practice
	7:00 pm	Finance Committee
Thurs, Mar 19	10:00 am	Hope New Minas / Al Anon Family Group
	1:00 pm	Games Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri, Mar 20	8:00 am	Friday Women's Breakfast Group

Worship for Seniors March 2020

Fri, Mar 20	1:30 pm	Orchard Court Shannex, Kentville
Wed, Mar 25	10:15 am 11:00 am	Wolfville Elms and Wolfville Nursing Home
Mon, Mar 30	10:30 am	Blomidon Court Shannex, Greenwich

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.

Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder Luncheon – The Loyal Workers of Port Williams United Baptist Church invite you to our "Faith and Begorrah" Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder luncheon on Wednesday, March 18 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Cost is \$8 per person and, as always, we will also be offering a great array of delicious desserts, fresh breads, tea and coffee. (Snow Date: Thursday, March 19; cancellations will be sent to the radio stations in the area.)

Gambling Risk-Informed Nova Scotia (GRINS) Event – Friday, March 20, 2:00 to 3:30 pm, Wolfville Legion, 310 Main St. Interactive workshop showing how Video Lottery Terminals (VLTs) can harm communities, followed by award presentation to the Wolfville Legion to acknowledge their decision to remove VLTs from their hall. See poster or https://grins.info for more info.

53rd Annual Book Sale – Canadian Federation of University Women, 53rd Annual Book Sale. Friday, March 27, 8:30 am to 9:00 pm, and Saturday, March 28, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. Wolfville Lions Club Community Hall, 36 Elm Ave, Wolfville. Also music, puzzles, games, LPs, CDs, DVDs, magazines. Free admission and onsite parking. Proceeds support many Valley organizations.

Come Celebrate! – You are invited to attend the Induction Service of The Rev'd Dr. Marjorie Lewis as University Chaplain and Dean of Manning Memorial Chapel on Sunday, 22 March 2020 at 7:00 pm at Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia University. A reception will follow the service. The guest speaker is Rev. Canon Dr. Jody Clarke, Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology, Atlantic School of Theology.

Lenten Concerts at Wolfville Baptist – March 18, March 25, April 1, 11:30–12:15; 12:15–1:00. Mark your calendars for three noon-hour lunch and music events to take place soon at Wolfville Baptist. Come for a light lunch of home made soup and rolls 11:30-12:15, to be followed by jazz duo hazel Walker and Graham Howes on March 18, organist Peter Togni on March 25 and flutist Jack Chen and pianist Heather Price on April 1. The concerts last about 40 minutes, from 12:15–1:00. Hazel and Graham delight their audiences with sensitive and innovative arrangements of jazz standards and beloved tunes; Peter brings a mystical experience to the soundscape of the organ improvisations he shares; and Jack and Heather offer an exciting performance of the much beloved Franck Sonata. All three concerts will offer a time to reflect and be nourished by the gift of music during this Lenten season. By donation. Proceeds for guest artist honoraria and to the Choral Scholar's fund.

Nova Scotia Health Authority Programs – The NSHA is offering a number of free programs that may be of interest to you or to people that you encounter through your lives or work. Registration is easy: Call: 902-538-1315; Text: 902-848-6416; Email: AVProgramRegistration@nshealth.ca. See the posters on the OVUC bulletin board.

Host Homes – The Portal Youth Outreach Association is looking for more Host Homes. Host homes are safe places for youth age 16–19 experiencing homelessness to live for varying amounts of time. Hosts provide a private bedroom, access to food as well as encouragement to the youth. There are subsidies to offset the cost of hosting a youth. Right now we have more youth experiencing homelessness, in need of safe places, than we have host homes available. If you or someone you know have a spare room or basement suite and are willing to be screened and trained to host a youth, please contact Kelly McGregor at 902-365-3773 or portalyouthcentre@gmail.com. More information can be found on our website www.portalyouth.ca or our Facebook or Instagram pages.

Next Week's Participants Sunday, March 22, 2020

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Musical Guests	Steenle Strummers
KPPT Greeter	tba
Greeter	Fran Turner
Candles	tbaFran Turnertba
Announcements / Scriptures	Faye Calder
Minute for Mission	Judy Gilmour
Hospitality	Sheila Francis, Sylvia Delisle, Pam Langille & Carter Creaser
	Marion Buchan, Pat Foote
Projectionist	Sylvia Jacquard