Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, April 26, 2020

Orchard Valley United Church has cancelled all in-person events, meetings and worship services at the church. Please check our website, under the Cancellations and Postponements, for more information.

FundScrip – Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Dates
April 26	May 3
May 10	May 17
May 24	May 31

Please feel free to speak with one of the Men's Group to order gift cards.

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, April 26, 2020 – Acts 2:14a, 36–41, Psalm 116:1–4, 12–19, 1 Peter 1:17–23, Luke 24:13–35.

Orchard Valley Kidz -- Orchard Valley Kidz will be held via Zoom on Sundays, 10:00 am. A computer with camera, mic and good Internet are preferable. Contact Andy for more info or for Zoom details (andriel_p@yahoo.ca; 902-542-1545).

Donating to OVUC – For those in the congregation who would like to continue supporting the church financially while we are experiencing our temporary closure, we have several ways you can donate:

- Mail your post-dated cheque(s) to the office (OVUC, 130 Cornwallis Ave, New Minas, NS B4N 3M7);
- Drop your offerings into our mail slot. It's located on the outside of the OVUC building, on the left corner. This is a secure, internal mailbox;
- Click the DONATE button on our website:
- Transfer funds to us via bank e-transfer. Please contact the office for details; and
- Sign-up for PAR. Please contact the office for details.

Regardless of the method you choose, you will receive a tax receipt in 2021 for your donation(s). For more information or assistance, please contact the office (902-681-0366, ext 1, or AdminOVU@bellaliant.com).

Video Recorded Worship Services – In this time of uncertainty, Rev Don wants to keep our worship family together in spirit, if not in body. Therefore, he has been preparing a series of worship services, to be shared with our church family. Please view our video recorded services by going to our webpage and clicking on "Worship Services/Video Recorded Messages".

Video Recorded Activities for Children – We now have a tab on our Video Recorded Messages webpage that includes activities for children that tie into Sunday services. Please go to the following link and then click on the Activities for Children's tab:

"Worship-Services/Video-Recorded-Messages/"

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

Community Announcements

Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group – Hope Al-Anon will be using "fongo" for a phone meeting on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am until we can get back in Orchard Valley United Church. This program will let 15 people meet by phone. To enter the meeting, call 1-902-932-1200 and enter the password 902-932-7986#.

Wolfville/WAICC Vigil – Friday, April 24, 6:45 pm. The Town of Wolfville and Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council invite residents to come outside their homes, or be near an open door / window, and bring a red paper heart. Church bells will ring at 6:45 pm and then pipers will play at 6:50 pm. Bells will ring again at 7:00 pm and 7:02 pm to mark the province-wide moment of silence. Residents are then invited to put their paper hearts on doors or windows before taking part in the virtual vigil hosted at 7:00 pm by Colchester -- Supporting Our Communities (https://www.facebook.com/groups/162084731778930/) and/or in WAICC's video-recorded/written candle-lighting vigil (https://www.waicc.org/).

Nova Scotia Vigil -- Friday, April 24, 7:00 pm to 7:02 pm. Please join us as we show our love and support to all who have suffered loss from the tragic events on April 18–19, 2020. Please stand at the end of your driveway, from your apartment, come out on your balcony, or stand in your window for two minutes of silence. PLEASE maintain social distancing by staying at your residence during this vigil. (info for this from https://www.facebook.com/events/s/nova-scotia-vigil-from-home/685555718868790/)

Relief for Acadia Students (REVISED) – Acadia has set up a Student Relief Fund. To donate to it, go to giving.acadiau.ca/COVID. For more information about this fund, go to https://covid-19-information.acadiau.ca/student-relief-fund.html.

Fundy Inter-Church Food Bank – The Food Bank is up and running and is working to meet the needs of anyone in our Valley community who may find themselves in need of food at this time. Our building is closed to the public but we have established a system of drivers and volunteers who will deliver food to the door of anyone who is in need. Please call 902-679-3664 or email fundy.foodbank.2015@gmail.com and someone will be in touch. Please pass this information on to anyone who might require help at this time.

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Jean Doris Curry April 23, 1958 - June 11, 1959

By Betty Curry and family