Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, May 24, 2020

FundScrip – Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Date
May 24	May 31
June 7	June 14
June 21	June 28

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

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, May 24, 2020 – Acts 1:6–14, Psalm 68:1–10, 31–351, Peter 4:12–14, 5:6–11, John 17:1–11.

Invitation to Participate – Do you love to read, or have a flair for the dramatic? Is poetry something you love to share with others? Do you love to read stories for children to enjoy? If you have answered yes to any of the above, or if you have something unique to offer to our weekly recorded services, Rev. Don and the Worship Committee would love to hear from you. We would love to expand the already fabulous group of people contributing through reading scripture and poetry, reading to or engaging our children and youth, and sharing a Minute for Mission. If you would be interested or willing to share your talents, please reach out to Rev. Don or Theresa to share your interest in participating. Your church family would love to see you, and we would love to welcome you to our weekly creative worship endeavors!

Problems with Zoom Last Week – On Sunday, May 17, many OVUC congregants were unable to connect to the Sunday Coffee Time via Zoom. These issues originated with Zoom and were not a problem with our own connectivity. Indeed, other churches had the same problem or worse. We would like to encourage people to please try again this week, as we love to see and hear from our congregants. (Please note that we've now removed the password requirement from our Zoom Sunday login.)

Sunday Coffee Time – You are invited to attend our Zoom Sunday "Coffee Time" each Sunday, from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm. You may join us online or via phone:

- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83474107986
- 1-855-703-8985 Canada Toll-free
- Meeting ID: 834 7410 7986

Wednesday Coffee Break – Rev. Don would like to invite you to our mid-week coffee/tea break time on Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 pm. You may join us online or via phone:

- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84634875707
- 1-855-703-8985 Canada Toll-free
- Meeting ID: 846 3487 5707

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".

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#.

Relief for Acadia Students (UPDATE) – International students are facing some of the most significant need, due to travel restrictions and/or financial pressures. Many of them remain on campus and locally in Wolfville, are challenged to find work, and (in some cases) are dependent on parents who are unemployed. Resuming studies with Acadia in September will be difficult. To help them via Acadia's COVID Student Relief Fund, please go to giving.acadiau.ca/COVID and note your donation is for international students. Tax receipts are available. Questions? Email advancement@acadiau.ca or call 902-585-1459.