Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, June 21, 2020

Welcome all who worship online with us this Sunday! We're looking forward to being together again. Until then, stay healthy, stay safe.

Thank you to the following people for their participation:

Leader of Worship	Rev Don Sellsted
Music Director / Organist	
Guest Violinist	Nancy Handrigan
Children's Time Contributors	tba
Scripture Reader	Jane McDonald
Minute for Mission Reader	Judy Gilmour

FundScrip – Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Dat
June 21	June 28
July 5	July 12
July 19	July 26

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

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, June 21, 2020 – Genesis 21:8–21, Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17, Romans 6:1b–11, Matthew 10:24–39.

A Timely Book Study on 'White Fragility'! – The Justice, Mission, and Outreach Committees of the United Church's Regions East are facilitating a book study on Robin Diangelo's book, *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*, from July 2nd – August 6th on Thursday mornings from 10:00 am – 11:30 am. These sessions will be hosted on Zoom. This is an opportunity for us to examine ourselves and our society in light of recent events regarding race relationships. You can register for this summer book series, and order a copy of the book, at

https://ucceast.ca/58968-white-fragility-summer-book-study/. If there is interest, Orchard Valley United Church may wish to follow each of these guided sessions with a discussion amongst ourselves.

Coffee Break Connections – Just to avoid any confusion, here are your weekly Coffee Break days, times, and meeting links:

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

- 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

Guys' Cans Fundraiser – Due to COVID 19, the Men's Group is unable to conduct its annual Guy's Cans Fundraiser in 2020 in the usual manner of providing a Guy's can to church members who wish to support our fund raising activities. It has been decided to conduct the Guy's Cans project by somewhat of a virtual method via email and church bulletin announcements asking for your continued support. Thanks to the generosity of our church supporters, this program raises somewhat in excess of \$2,000.00 each year that enables us to donate funds to the Church. The Men's Group is asking for your continued support and that you mail your donations to the church office at any time, but no later than November 30, 2020. Additionally, if some members already have a can, hopefully they can be returned to the church by that time as well. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to when we can meet together later this year. Kindly mail your donation to: Orchard Valley United Church Men's Group, 130 Cornwallis Ave, New Minas NS, B4N 3M7.

Happy Anniversary – Mel and Hazel Leiper celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, June 17. Happy Anniversary, Mel & Hazel!

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!

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#.

AV Honour Choir Auditions – The Annapolis Valley Honour Choir will be welcoming new choir members in grades 3-12 for the next school year. Auditions will be taking place online throughout June. With three choirs and over 150 students, the AVHC is recognized nationally as a leading program for music education. Fun and engaging vocal instruction, musical literacy and leadership programs together offer a well rounded education and steer the choristers towards musical excellence as well as building thoughtful and community minded citizens. Visit www.avhc.ca for info!

Sherbrooke Lake Father's Day Gift – If you haven't got your Dad anything for Fathers Day yet, now's your chance. Here's an easy way to make a difference. We all know that camp has changed a lot of lives for the better and even though this summer will look and feel different, it doesn't mean that camp can't live on. So to celebrate your dad or someone who you look up to in your life, you can make a \$25 donation in honour of them today. Whether you're 11 years old or 47 years, it's easy and a great way to say thank you to your dad for sending you to camp over the years! Make a donation now to make a difference: https://www.sherbrookelakecamp.org/fathersday

WAICC Worship on Eastlink – The Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council has received funding from the Kings County Senior's Safety Society to provide worship services to the Long Term and Retirement Homes in our area. Eastlink TV has provided a time slot on their community channel for folks to be able to view them. The same goes for any household from Windsor to Aylesford that may have East Link as their provider. They will air on Eastlink's Channel 10, Sundays, at 12:30 pm according to this schedule if all goes according to plan:

- Jun 21: Rev Dr Marjorie Lewis and John Scott, Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia
- Jun 28: Rev Sandra Fyfe and Elaine Slauenwhite, St John's Anglican (Wolfville), with Betty Rockwell (Orchard Valley)
- Jul 5: Rev Dr Scott Kindred-Barnes and Heather Price, Wolfville Baptist, with Jessica Jurgenliemk
- Jul 12: Kate Sircom, St Andrew's Anglican (Hantsport)
- Jul 19: the band Rewind, led by Wayne MacDonald, with Andy Pitter (Orchard Valley)
- Jul 26: a musical offering by Kimberly Matheson
- Aug 2: Nancy Harbers and Francis Hawley, St Francis Roman Catholic

This week's bulletin is sponsored in loving memory of:

Vernon MacDonald

(September 10, 1933 – December 19, 2009)

With love from wife Mary and family