

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, August 9, 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 UCCEast for providing this week's videotaped worship service.

FundScrip – Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Dates
August 2	August 9
August 16	August 23
August 30	September 6

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

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, August 9, 2020 – Genesis 37:1–4, 12–28, Psalm 105:1–6, 16–22, 45b, Romans 10:5–15, Matthew 14:22–33.

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

Covenanter Church Closed for Summer 2020 – It is with regret that the decision was made to leave the Covenanter Church closed this summer due to COVID-19. We will not be open to the public for visitations nor will we have a Summer Worship Series. We apologize to all for the inconvenience, but for the safety of all, it was felt this was the wisest choice. See you in summer 2021!

Facilities Survey – The Facilities Committee has prepared an update letter, a brief three-question survey, and copy of the latest proposed floor plan. These documents have been sent out electronically to our church family. The package has also been distributed through regular mail. We would like to have responses to the survey by August 15th. Upon receiving the responses, we will be scheduling opportunities for individuals to ask questions or voice support / concerns. If you do not receive your mailed copy by the end of July (and would like one), please contact the office at 902-681-0366 ext 1.

Rev Don on Vacation – Rev Don would like the congregation to know that he is currently on vacation, but will return to OVUC on August 10. If you have an urgent matter, please contact the church office at (902) 681-0366 ext 1 and leave a message.

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 (REVISED) – Hope Al-Anon is a fellowship that offers help and hope for families and friend of alcoholics. The group will be using FONGO for phone meetings on Thursday mornings at 10:00 am until further notice. This program lets 15 people meet by phone. To enter the meeting, call 1-902-932-1200 and enter 902-932-7986#. For more information about Al-Anon visit www.al-anonmaritimes.ca or Al-Anon World Service Office at al-anon.org.

Anti-Racism Resource from Manning Memorial Chapel – August 1, 1834, was the date when enslaved Africans in Canada and throughout the former British Empire were freed. The Manning Memorial Chapel Team invites you to reflect on emancipation using historical and contemporary events, prayer, music and Bible study. Some sessions explore the role of church leaders in abolishing slavery and promoting anti-Black-racism; other sessions introduce human trafficking as a form of modern day slavery. You can find the chapel's Reflection Guide on Emancipation online: <https://chapel.acadiau.ca/Home.html>

WAICC Worship on Eastlink – The Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council is happy to announce Eastlink TV will continue providing a time slot in September and October for worship services intended for the Long Term and Retirement Homes in our area. Any home or household from Windsor to Aylesford that has Eastlink as their provider can view this worship on Eastlink's Channel 10, Sundays, at 12:30 pm. Stay tuned for a more complete schedule. Also, many thanks to Sylvia Jacquard for taking on the challenge of becoming WAICC's videographer and learning how to edit videos!

- Aug 9: Acadia Regional Youth Orchestra with Andy Pitter, Orchard Valley
- Aug 16: liturgy by Rev Don Sellsted, Orchard Valley, with music by John Scott and Rev Dr Marjorie Lewis, Acadia
- Aug 23 & 30: liturgy by Rev Don Sellsted, Orchard Valley; music TBA

This week's bulletin is sponsored
in loving memory of my husband

George E. Crouch

(August 15, 1929 – August 24, 2013)

By Mary Crouch