Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, October 4, 2020

Welcome all who worship in person and online with us this Sunday! We're looking forward to being together again.

Thank you to the following people for their participation:

Leader of Worship	Rev Don Sellsted
Music Director / Organist	Ken Hassell
Special Music	TBA
Scripture Reader	TBA
Minute for Mission Reader	
Children's Focus	Rev. Don Sellsted

FundScrip – Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	Delivery Dates
September 27	October 4
October 11	October 18
October 18	October 25

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

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, October 11, 2020 – Exodus 32:1–14, Psalm 106:1–6, 19–23, Philippians 4:1–9, Matthew 22:1–14

In Sympathy – Our thoughts and prayers are with Lola Pineo on the death of her son Alan on September 25, 2020. Lola will welcome phone calls. No visits at this time, please.

Men's Breakfast – The men of OVUC will resume their monthly gathering at the Irving Big Stop on Sunday, October 4, at 7:45 am for Men's Breakfast. Come early to get the early bird special. All men of the congregation are welcome.

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

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, we will be posting a copy of our live-streamed service shortly afterward. 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.

WAICC Worship – Unfortunately Eastlink TV will only be able to provide Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council with the time-slot up to and including Thanksgiving Sunday. Here are the last two broadcasts (Sundays, 12:30 pm, Channel 10 on Eastlink TV):

- October 4: St Francis Roman Catholic Church
- October 11: Port Williams Baptist and Wolfville Baptist Thanks again to everyone who helped with these worship services!

Inn From The Cold and Open Arms Outreach Centre – Overnight shelter volunteers are needed for the *Inn From The Cold* emergency shelter. If you have a time you can volunteer each month, bi-weekly or weekly, please let us know at: shelter@openarms.ca. Volunteers would be staying overnight with an experienced staff person at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Kentville to support people facing homelessness. Potential new volunteers will need to complete an intake process. Please contact us if you have any questions or to volunteer.

Upcoming Programs & Retreats at the Tatamagouche Centre – Some of you have been asking what we're up to now at Tatamagouche Centre. The gardeners among you will know the term "hardening off." It is the process of gradually cultivating inside and rooting before opening to the elements fully. This is what we've been doing. This period of pause and focusing inward has been critical grounding and rooting for opening. Please read our COVID-19 protocols for our onsite gatherings. We're mindful that there will likely be a second wave but until then, we are prepared to warmly host and welcome you back. Can't make a program this year or don't feel comfortable?

Become a member at \$5 and engage with us in other ways - offer art, bring your collective to gather here, join a council. Following are the upcoming online and onsite programs:

- October 6-7, 2020, January 19-20 & April 20-21, 2021 –
 Soulful Aging Across the Seasons: A Six Session Circle of Trust®
 Seasonal ONLINE Retreat Series with Mardi Tyndal and Jean
 Richardson
- October 15–17, 2020 Courage to Lead for Young Leaders and Activists Onsite Program
- October 15 to November 12, 2020 Circle of Song ONLINE: A 5-week singing experience on Zoom
- October 30 to November 1, 2020 Deathcare, Rituals and Reflections Onsite Program with Denise LeBlanc & Jules Jones
- November 6-8, 2020 BIPOC Community Onsite Gathering
- **November 22–27, 2020** ASPIRE Foundation Program: Facilitation, Design and Leadership Onsite Program

For more information visit https://www.tatacentre.ca/?r=site%2Findex

Climate Church, Climate World – October 1–30. Register now! Season of Creation is upon us in the liturgical calendar (although we know that ALL seasons are "of Creation"). Want to dig deeper into how communities of faith can respond to climate crisis? Register now for this five-week online book study to read and discuss "Climate Church, Climate World" by Jim Antal, starting October 1. Thursday mornings, 10:00 am–11:30 am Atlantic, hosted on Zoom. Deadline for book orders is September 11. https://ucceast.ca/59646-climate-church-book-study/