## **Orchard Valley United Church**

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# Announcements for Sunday, January 10, 2021

**Welcome** all who worship in person and online with us! We're happy to be together.

#### Thank you to the following people for their participation:

Rev Don Sellsted
Ken Hassell
David Murphy
Roger Bolt, Thea Burton, Brenda Parker, Scott Sweatman
Judy Gilmour
Sheila Francis
Carol Dewar
Gary Dunfield, Sylvia Jacquard

**In-Person Worship on Sunday, January 10, 2021** – We will gather for an in-person service this Sunday at 10:00 am. Due to our limited seating capacity, attendance is by pre-registration only. This week's worship service will NOT be pre-recorded. Instead, we will be live-streaming the Service. A recording of the live service will be uploaded later in the day for home-viewing.

For those attending in-person, please do not arrive at the church before 9:30 am Sunday morning. For the protection of everyone, face masks, hand sanitizing and physical distancing rules will be strictly adhered to. If you are feeling unwell, please stay home and call to cancel your reservation.

**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! Join the Zoom Meeting at the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83474107986?pwd=SnlFeWNtWDZPeHJHMjIzQVg1bUo2QT09

- 1-855-703-8985 Canada Toll-free
- Meeting ID: 834 7410 7986
- Passcode: 019067

Please note that you will now have to enter the passcode, to gain admittance to Coffee Time.

**FundScrip Gift Cards** – Fundscrip cards make excellent gifts and are a very convenient and easy way to shop. Following are upcoming FundScrip order and delivery dates:

Order Dates	<b>Delivery Dates</b>
January 3	January 10
January 17	January 24
January 31	February 7

To place an order, please contact Ian Godfrey, Cecil White or Bruce Smith. Thank you for your continued support.

**January Family Worship Service** – This Sunday, January 10, Rev. Don will lead the second Family Worship at 3:00 pm with help from Thea Burton, Grace Marcoux, Ken Hassell and Andy Pitter. Families will celebrate God by exploring the story of Old Testament Joseph and his brothers through song, drama, discussion, prayer and other worship activities. Families must pre-register with the office by Friday, January 8, 4:00 pm and follow church guidelines for preventing the spread of COVID-19. Please note that the Family Worship for February will be on the third Sunday of the month, i.e. February 21.

**Spirit Chair Yoga** – Spirit Chair Yoga begins its spring session on Monday, January 11, at 10:00 am. Registration is now closed. To be put on a waiting list, or for more information about other locations for Joy Waterbury's chair yoga sessions, please contact the OVUC office at 902-681-0366, ext 1.

**Next Pastoral Care Meeting** – In 2021, the Pastoral Care Committee will meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am. Therefore, the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19 in the OVUC sanctuary. (Location to be confirmed.)

**Next Affirming Committee Meeting** – This is a reminder that the Affirming Committee will be meeting via Zoom on Tuesday, January 19, from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. Rev. Don will forward the Zoom link prior to that date.

**Annual Reports Due** – Committee Chairs and Group Leaders should prepare their 2020 Annual Reports for submission to the office asap. Please prepare them in Word or RTF (no PDF versions, please!)

**Call for Return of Children's Books** – The Affirming Resource Library for Children, Youth and Families currently has an extensive collection of titles. Unfortunately, there are currently three children's books missing from the Library: *And Tango Makes Three, I am Jazz*, and *Red: A Crayon's Story*. If you currently have these books on loan from OVUC, we would ask that you return them as soon as possible. Thank you.

**Income Tax Receipts** – Income tax receipts for 2020 are currently being prepared. Please advise the office whether you would like to pick up your tax receipt, have it emailed, or have it sent to you by Canada Post. Thank you.

**Offering Envelopes for 2021** – Offering envelopes for 2021 have been prepared. Please contact the office to arrange a date/time for pick-up – call 902-681-0366, ext 1, or send an email to adminOVU@bellaliant.com.

**Video Recorded Worship Services** – Each week, we post a copy of our worship service. Please view our video recorded services by going to our webpage and clicking on "Worship Services/Video Recorded Messages".

**Weather Cancellations** – In the event that one or more of our Sunday Worship services is cancelled due to weather, a message will be left on the OVUC phone and website. We will also do our best to send out an email (but cannot guarantee this option will be available). We also endeavour to place cancellation messages with all the local radio stations. In the event of a power outage, your first source for cancellation news should always be our phone line – 902-681-0366.

**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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/orchardvalleyuc/">https://www.facebook.com/orchardvalleyuc/</a>

## **Community Announcements**

**Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group** – 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 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Events** – The Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council will have an evening series via Zoom at 6:30 pm as listed below and an ecumenical worship service on Sunday, January 24, 4:00 pm, hosted by Wolfville Baptist. More details to follow.

- Rev. Rob Hankinson Monday, January 18, Welcoming Others
- Rev. Don Flowers Tuesday, January 19, Called by God
- Rev. Nicole Uzans Wednesday, January 20, Maturing Internally
- Rev. Scott Kindred-Barnes Thursday, January 21, Praying Together
- Rev. Marjorie Lewis Friday, January 22, Letting Oneself Be Transformed by the Word

This week's bulletin is sponsored in memory of

## **Fred Wooster**

loving husband of Carol & father of Lyal

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