

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, February 14, 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:

Leader of Worship	Rev Don Sellsted
Music Director / Organist	Ken Hassell
Special Music	Chris Seymour
Hymn Support.....	Cynthia Bruce, Cupido Daniels, Nancy Handrigan
Minute for Mission.....	Judy Gilmour
Scripture Reader.....	tba
Usher.....	Ian Godfrey
Projectionist	Carol Dewar
Sound / Live-stream.....	Gary Dunfield, Sylvia Jacquard

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.

In-Person Worship on Sunday, February 14, 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 livestreaming 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.

<p>Office Closure – The office will be closed on Monday, February 15, for Nova Scotia Heritage Day.</p>
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Subscribe to OVUC's YouTube Channel – Want to know when the latest “Fruit from the Orchard” video is released? Or the upcoming daily “Lenten Reflections”? One way is to subscribe to our YouTube Channel. Simply select the ‘Subscribe’ button the next time you are watching one of our videos or during the Live Streamed Worship Service. (Please note that you must have a Google account in order to subscribe.)

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEW4VOpk_znrA5qev0qCr9Q

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	Delivery Dates
February 14	February 21
February 28	March 7
March 14	March 21

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

Drive-thru Ash Wednesday Pancake & Sausage Supper – The Worship Committee, along with Congregational Life, are having a drive-through pancake and sausage supper on Ash Wednesday, February 17. There will be three pick-up times to choose from – 5:00 to 5:30 pm, 5:30 to 6:00 pm, and 6:00 to 6:30 pm. We will offer both regular and gluten-free pancakes. Also there will be a choice of hot milk cake or fruit cup. The meal will be free of charge and everyone is welcome. Those wishing to partake must pre-register between February 3 and February 12 by calling the church office (902-681-0366, ext 1) or sending an email (AdminOVU@bellaliant.com) so we know how much to prepare. There will also be a contactless ash blessing offered.

Zoom Worship for the Wolfville Nursing Home – If you are comfortable using Zoom and would like to lead or help with a short worship for nursing home residents, please contact Rev Don. These worship services are every fourth Wednesday morning of the month (apart from July and August). The next one is February 24, 10:30 to 11:00 am.

Newsletter Articles – Our Easter Newsletter will be published on March 28, the beginning of Holy Week. If you have an Easter-themed article or a story you would like to share with the congregation, please send it to the office no later than Sunday, March 21. We would love to include stories from our congregation.

Property Committee Needs New Members – The Property Committee needs three members for 2021. We meet once per month. Interested parties should contact John Foote at (902) 678-7245 or Pat Foote at (902) 678-7473.

Toque Fundraiser at Hennigar's Farm Market – Valerie Mosher's beautiful, warm hand-knit toques, seen last year at Orchard Valley, will be on sale at Hennigar's Farm Market through the month of February only for \$20 each. All proceeds will go to Open Arms. Sponsored by our Junior Youth Group.

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”.

Volunteer Usher(s) Wanted – OVUC is looking for a volunteer(s) to serve as usher on Sundays. Duties would be to set out the wheelchair accessible parking signs before worship, retrieve them after the service, and assist congregants to find appropriate seating. Please contact the office (902-681-0366, ext 1 or AdminOVU@bellaliant.com).

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/>

This Week in the Orchard February 14–20, 2021

Sun, Feb 14	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service
Mon, Feb 15	OFFICE CLOSED – NS HERITAGE DAY	
	7:00 pm	Finance Committee (via Zoom)
Tues, Feb 16	7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Wed, Feb 17	5:00 pm	Drive-thru Ash Wednesday Pancake & Sausage Supper
Thurs, Feb 18	10:00 am	Hope New Minas / Al Anon Family Group (via Zoom)
Fri, Feb 19	n/a	

Worship for Seniors – February 2021

Wed, Feb 24	10:30 am	Wolfville Nursing Home (via Zoom)
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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.

Soup & Chowder Luncheon – The Loyal Workers of Port Williams United Baptist Church invite you to enjoy their Take-out Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder Luncheon on Wednesday, February 17, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm for. Cost is \$10 per person. The luncheon will include a bowl of soup, bread/butter, and your choice of dessert (Apple Crisp or Cheesecake). Please call by Monday, February 15, to reserve your order:

- Carol Ann Burden, 902-542-3681, or
- Myrtle Merrett, 902-542-2623

You will be asked at the time what kind of soup you want, your dessert choice, and for your phone number. We will call on Tuesday, February 16 to give you a pick-up time. (The Loyal Workers support ongoing Church expenses, e.g. furnace oil, etc.)

This week's bulletin is sponsored
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John Mercer
(1932-2008)

By wife, Mary