

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, February 21, 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 Cupido Daniels
Hymn Support..... Thea Burton, Dave & Donna Murphy, Brenda Parker
Minute for Mission Judy Gilmour
Scripture Reader tba
Usher Helen Seymour
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 21, 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 be livestreamed. 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=SnIeWnTWDZPeHJHMjIzQVg1bUo2QT09>

- 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.

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_znrA5qevOqCr9Q

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.

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.

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

Food Bank Sunday – Sunday, March 7 will be our next Food Bank day. Please bring your non-perishable items and leave them in the shopping cart after the Worship Service. Please remember to stay physically distanced from one another.

Next Congregational Life Meeting – The Congregational Life Committee will meet on Sunday, March 7 (the first Sunday of each month), following the Sunday morning Worship Service. Please contact the office to pre-register (902-681-0366, ext 1, or AdminOVU@bellaliant.com).

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.

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 14. We would love to include stories from our congregation.

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. Primary duty would be to 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 21–27, 2021

Sun, Feb 21	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service
	3:00 pm	Family Worship Service
Mon, Feb 22	10:00 am	Spirit Chair Yoga
Tues, Feb 23	9:00 am	Pastoral Care Committee (Zoom)
Wed, Feb 24	4:00 pm	OV-Chimes Practice
	7:00 pm	OVUC Church Council (Zoom)
Thurs, Feb 25	10:00 am	Hope New Minas / Al Anon Family Group (via Zoom)
Fri, Feb 26	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.

Registration is Open for Sherbrooke Lake Camp – We are excited to announce that Summer 2021 is a go. After much planning and discussion registration for this summer will begin on February 16. We believe that camp is needed more today than ever, especially after all of the public health restrictions. This summer we are offering:

1. Traditional summer camp
2. Weekend rentals for families. (bookings opening in May)
3. CIT program (Register for 1st Senior)
4. Online Swag Store

Check out our website for more information, restrictions and changes to our day to day, week to week operations. As we get closer to the summer, our guidelines will change as public health changes theirs. We are looking at each camper providing an asymptomatic test prior to arrival and possibly quarantining prior to arriving. We will only be able to take 320 campers this summer. At this time, we are restricting only one week per camper. This will allow more campers to be able to experience camp. Once we reach the 320, we will allow our waitlist to come into effect. See our website for more details: <https://www.sherbrookelakecamp.org/2021>.

This week's bulletin is sponsored in honour of

Grace Oleskevich's birthday

from your parents with love.