

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, September 26, 2021

Welcome all who worship 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
Hymn Support.....Thea Burton, Cupido Daniels, Betty Rockwell
Special music.....The Rewind Band – Pete Conroy, George Dunfee, Donna Holmes,
Earl Illsley, Wayne MacDonald, Barb Riley
Scripture Reader.....Julien Davis
Children's TimeKatie Logan
Live-stream Team Gary Dunfield, Carol Dewar, Wayne MacDonald
Usher Bill Woodman

In-Person Worship on Sunday, September 26, 2021 – We will gather for an in-person / live-streamed service this Sunday at 10:00 am. A recording of the 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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83474107986?pwd=SnlfFeWNtWDZPeHJHMjZlZQVg1bUo2QT09>

- 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.

Every Child Matters -- The number of human remains found at residential schools has gone from 215 children to over 1,000 so far. As we wait and pray for Canada's indigenous peoples to be able to engage us in dialogue again, we have set up a physical memorial by tying orange ribbons on our signs and placing an orange T-shirt, children's shoes and children's socks at the entrance sign. Orange is the colour of reconciliation and the colour of the Orange Shirt Society who supports Indian residential school reconciliation: they have given us permission to use their slogan "Every Child Matters". We invite you to place children's shoes at the entrance sign, children's socks on the clothesline along our parking lot and/or something orange where people passing your home can see it (trail tape around a pole or tree, a shirt or sign on an exterior door or window, etc.) Socks may be donated to families afterwards; shoes will not. Contact Andy Pitter or the office if you'd like a sign.

Contact Katie or Don if you'd like to read one of the resources we have regarding Truth and Reconciliation. (Note the green ribbons on our signs are to remember the Muslim family killed in June and to show solidarity against Islamophobia.

Seeking Lay Supervision Team members for Katie Logan - We are looking for interested members to form the Lay Supervision Team for our new student minister, Katie Logan. A Lay Supervision Team (LST) meets for conversation and mutual reflection, providing an opportunity for the student to listen to the faith, views, contexts, values, and wisdom of a smaller group within a larger community, a microcosm of the pastoral charge. An LST accompanies the student through the process of formation for the practice of ministry. This will include commitment to regular meetings for exploration, discussion, and implementation of assigned work within the MDiv program, as well as theological reflection and evaluation of all learning experiences. A successful group will have a sense of mutuality in sharing and discussion and a sense that everyone is learning. ***Katie needs a team of 3-6 people who agree to meet more or less monthly September to April. To express your interest, please write to christina.macdonald@gmail.com.***

Covenanting Service for Pastor Katie and Orchard Valley United – Tonight, at 7pm, we will be celebrating and establishing covenant between Orchard Valley United, Region 15, and Pastor Katie Logan who was appointed last June as Youth and Outreach Minister for Orchard Valley Pastoral Charge. Please know you are welcome to come and be part of this special occasion.

Steeple Strummers Rehearsal – September 28th at 7pm in the Church sanctuary.

Volunteers needed - Be part of Katie's exciting new ministry for children and youth! If you enjoy working with children and/or youth, please consider applying to teach or help lead one of the following programs. Police record check required. Contact Katie (902-681-6010; youth.ovuc@gmail.com) or Andy (902-542-1545; andriel_p@yahoo.ca) if interested.

Voyagers (aka Sunday School) for Preschool, Primary-Gr 3, and Junior Youth: teach one age group once or twice a month; curriculum provided; starting Sept 12

Kids Hang Out: one Saturday a month for Primary to Grade 3 children, 1pm - 2:30pm; starting Sept 18

Junior Youth Group: 2nd and 4th Fridays each month, 6:30pm - 8:30pm; starting Oct 8

Online Youth Group: Katie invites youth, Grades 4 -12 to join Orchard Valley's Discord server for a Virtual Game Night on Sunday October 3rd, from 7pm - 9pm! Youth will play games, such as Codenames. Please note members of Katie's past youth group are also invited, as well as Grace Marcoux!

Fall Take-Out Turkey Dinner – Roast turkey dinner & trimmings on Saturday, October 9, 2021. Pick up at the Louis Millet Centre from 4:00pm – 7:00 pm. Adults - \$15, and children under 12 - \$8. Deadline to purchase tickets is October 1, 2021. Get your tickets, soon! Thank you for your support. Sponsored by Orchard Valley United Church Men's Group.

The "Calendar" project has been postponed until next year due to the ongoing Covid-19 restrictions. If you had a group that was planning to participate and is ready for their photo shoot, please contact Susan Cater to make arrangements. Photos can be taken any time that suits Susan, given the current environment. If you have any questions, please reach out to Gail Gordon, acting lead organizer of the calendar group.

Women's Breakfast – Friday morning breakfast has started and will be held in the church sanctuary each week at 8:30am. All women are welcome!

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

Order Dates

Delivery Dates

October 10

October 3

October 17

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

Volunteers needed – The Glooscap Elementary School Breakfast Program is starting up again. Four times, each year, two volunteers are needed, each day, for one week from OVUC. They will meet at the school at 7:15am in the school's lunchroom to make toast and serve it to students who ask for it, as they move through the breakfast line. It takes, approximately, one hour. This outreach project is a good match for people who live in that area and/or early birds. If you are interested, please email:

sylviajacquard@ns.sympatico.ca

Subscribe to OVUC's YouTube Channel – Did you know we have a 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

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".

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.

This week's bulletin is sponsored by

Peggy Jones

In loving memory of my husband, Arnold.