Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, February 6th, 2022

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 |
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| Music Director/Organist | Ken Hassell |
| | Thea Koenig-Burton |
| Hymn Support | Mindy Vinqvist-Tymchuk |
| Scripture Reader | Hugh and Doris Laurence |
| Children's Time | Pastor Katie Logan |
| | Carol Dewar/Andrea Purvis, Gary Dunfield, Sylvia Jacquard |

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, February 6th, 2022 – There will be a live-streamed service this Sunday at 10:00am. **Please join us on-line!**

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=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.

Message from the COVID Committee on behalf of the OVUC Executive: In light of the continued high numbers of Covid-19 cases in our region, and in light of our need to care for each other's physical as well as spiritual well-being, we at OVUC have prayerfully decided to continue to offer our Sunday morning Worship Service as live-streaming only, so as to reduce any risk to our congregants and staff and are also delaying the restart of any activities that are unrelated to Sunday services until at least the end of January. We will be assessing this regularly. We know how important our church fellowship is, but also know that we would be heart-broken should a member of our church family become ill with Covid at our church home, when care and patience could have avoided it. Anyone with organized events, activities, or meetings should move forward via an on-line platform at this time.

Personal Items- The Disposition Committee is doing the difficult work of identifying items for storage while work is completed on our renovated structure. We are aware that some church members have loaned or left personal property at the church over the years. These items must be picked up before Friday February 11th if you are not donating them to OVUC. Pick up arrangements can be made through Norma Mailman 902-681-1734. Many thanks!

Special Congregational Meeting – Sunday, February 20th, following Worship Service - to approve of the Expansion and Renovation proposal.

Coldest Night of the Year - If you would like to help form an Orchard Valley team to raise funds and walk 5km in support of Open Arms (walking individually, as a small group, or at the in-person event in Kentville, COVID permitting), please contact Andy Pitter (902-542-1545/ andriel p@yahoo.ca). The inperson event is scheduled for Saturday, February 26th, but teams can walk any day in February if they prefer, or are required to, given Public Health measures. You can find more information in this video and website: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ef6A5t4EG3c and https://cnoy.org/home. Thank you!

OVUC Committee Chairs – Please don't forget, Annual Reports are due by Saturday, February 05, 2022. Thank you!

Offering Envelopes – 2022 offering envelopes are in the foyer mailboxes for those who wish to come into the Church to pick them up. If you are more comfortable picking them up at the door, please call the Church office to arrange a time.

OVUC 2022 Calendars - Cost: \$10 donation (limited numbers, so please contact the office or Jean Millet to get your copy, soon).

Meet Your Feet – Will be closed, temporarily. If you have any questions or concerns, please email: feetatthemall@gmail.com

FundScrip Gift Cards:

| Order Dates | Delivery Dates |
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| February 06 | February 13 |
| February 20 | February 27 |

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

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.

The Loyal Workers of Port Williams United Baptist Church will NOT be holding their Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder Take-Out Luncheon on Wed. Feb. 16 due to uncertainties surrounding Covid restrictions. We do, however plan to hold our next luncheon on **Wednesday, March 16th!** Our usual advertising, posters and bulletin announcements will resume at the beginning of March as long as restrictions have been lifted in time. We miss you all and look forward to another couple of months of delicious soups and desserts!

On behalf of WAICC -

UN World Interfaith Harmony Week 2022 – Various faith communities who belong to Interfaith Harmony Halifax are offering open houses or the like, many via Zoom:

Thurs, Feb 3, 7 pm – Atlantic School of Theology; Universalist Unitarian Church

Fri, Feb 4, 12:30 pm – Ummah Masjid: Muslim Jummah Prayer (no Zoom link)

Sat, Feb 5, 2:00 pm - Bahá'í Community: Devotional

Sat, Feb 5, 6:30 pm - Earth Spirit Society: A Celebration of Imbolc

Sun, Feb 6, 11 am - Hindu Community: Presentation

See http://ihhalifax.ca/home/2022-calendar for Zoom links and more information.

If you would like to sponsor an upcoming Worship Service bulletin in memory of a loved one, please contact the OVUC office – (902) 681-0366 or email – adminovu@bellaliant.com