

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, May 15th, 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.....Pastor Katie Logan
Music Director/Organist.....Ken Hassell
Anthem.....Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Reader.....Chris Seymour
Live-stream Team.....Carol Dewar/Andrea Purvis,
Gary Dunfield, Sylvia Jacquard
Ushers.....Peggy Smith/ Ian Godfrey

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, May 15th, 2022 – There will be a live-streamed service this Sunday at 10:00 am. Please join us on-line if you are unable to attend in person.

This week's OVUC Worship Service:

Office hours: OVUC Admin office is open from 8am-12pm, Mon-Fri. (always a great idea to call ahead if you are making a special trip to visit). The Church space will be open only during those hours over the next few weeks. For meetings and events that take place outside office

hours, please be sure to make arrangements (for getting into the space) well in advance of your scheduled event.

Attending OVUC for the first time since our move?

When you arrive at the County Fair Mall, make your way to the large entrance of the former Sears store. There will be a large OVUC banner displayed. Please join us!

Note: For anyone requiring the assistance of a wheelchair, please feel free to let one of the OVUC Ushers know on Sunday morning and they will provide one.

We are bringing back a time of hospitality after Worship!

Beginning **this Sunday**, there will be coffee, tea and water on offer after the worship service has concluded. In light of our minimal kitchen facilities and with consideration to our environment, we request you bring along your own travel mug, although paper cups will be available. Let's do our best to minimize what goes into the landfill!

Mail for OVUC – Those who usually drop their weekly donations through the mail-slot at the church can, now, visit the OVUC Admin office (mall) or send it in the mail. Mail is being forwarded to our temporary space, so sending it to our “former, but forever” address is fine!

Affirming Celebration Service – Sunday, June 5th at 3pm. Please join us as the congregation receives an Affirming Certificate and officially joins Affirm United! Music will be provided by our very own Chris Seymour, Frank Hartman, Rachel MacLean, and Thea Burton. Refreshments to follow the service.

Minute For Mission – Food and Hygiene Kits for Ukraine. You can give a gift food and hygiene through [Gifts with Vision\(opens in a new tab\)](#) or by calling **1-844-715-7969**. Thank you for your generous support!

Prayer Shawl – meeting Tuesday, May 17th, 7pm at OVUC. Come visit and create(yarn is available). All are welcome!

Friday Morning Breakfast – has restarted at the Greenwich Hall at 8:30am. **All women are welcome!**

Spirit Yoga – Monday, 10:30am at OVUC *free-will donation. Joy welcomes you to come (and bring a friend!) for some stress-reduction, relaxation, and rejuvenation.

Meet Your Feet – Please call or email to book your appointment for this wonderful program! Contact: Cheryl Manzer (902)847-1798 or feetatthemall@gmail.com

Camp Sponsorship Drive – We have three youth/children requests for Sherbrooke Lake Camp sponsorship for a total of \$945 in fees. (We also have several families wishing to go but Sherbrooke Lake hasn't officially announced any family camps yet.) Please consider making a donation to ensure we can continue this ministry! If you put a donation in the mail or in the offering plate, please write on the memo line or envelope that it is for *camp sponsorships*. If you send the church an e-transfer, please mention what it is for. If you use the "Donate" button on Orchard Valley's website, choose "General" for the Fund but please type "*Camp Sponsorships*" in the Message box. **Note:** *any money not used this year for camp sponsorships will be held for next year's sponsorships.*

Youth Activities:

Youth Group: Friday, May 27 (6:30-8pm)

Virtual Youth Group: May 22 (7-7:45pm)

Voyagers during the 10 am worship: If you would like to volunteer with us please let Pastor Katie know, we would love to have you!

Christian Family Sunday – Last Sunday, the Voyagers shared cinnamon hearts and foot bath fizzers with the congregation as a way to show love like Jesus did when he washed the disciples feet. There are still some hearts and fizzers on the table (near the nametags) for those not present on May 08. Thanks for being part of our Church family!

Sponsor a weekly Worship bulletin – If you would like to sponsor a weekly bulletin in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of a special birthday or anniversary, please call or email OVUC:

(902)681-0366 / adminovu@bellaliant.com

(suggested donation: \$20). Thank you!

FundScrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

Delivery Dates

May 15

May 22

May 29

June 05

To place an order, please contact Ian Godfrey, Cecil White or Bruce Smith. Thank you 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 friends of alcoholics. The group meets at OVUC(County Fair Mall) on Thursdays, 10-11am and can also be accessed by using FONGO for phone meetings. 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.

May 15th - Wolfville Baptist Church – Rachel MacLean in concert – 7pm. Tickets available at the door/Just Us/Church office. \$15 adults/\$10 youth. Proceeds going to the Choral Scholars Fund.

May 18th – "Last of the Season – See You In September" Take Out Luncheon – Port Williams United Baptist Church from 11:30am to 12:15 pm. The Loyal Workers' Corn Chowder/Hamburger Soup luncheon will include a bowl of your chosen soup, bread and butter and either Apple Crisp or Cheesecake all for \$10. Call by May 16th to Carol Ann Burden at 902-542-3681 or Ruth Blenkhorn at 902-542-7141 and we will call you back with a pick-up time on May 17th.

May 19th – Musique Royale: Capella Regalis Men and Boys Choir, directed by Nick Halley. Province-wide tour featuring American, Irish, and English traditional tunes arranged by composers including Allister MacGillivray and Benjamin Britten, as well as the all-time favourite, “Freedom Trilogy” by Paul Halley. May 19th at 7pm, Windsor Christ Church, 543 Kings Street. Tickets: \$25 (at the door)/\$20 (advance reservation)/\$10 students (at the door). Advance reservation: currydp@gmail.com

May 28th – Wolfville Baptist Church – The Green Keepers Garden Club is holding a plant sale (rain or shine) from 9am – 12noon. There will be houseplants, garden plants, gardening books and other gardening items for sale.

May 28-29 – Horton High School gardening team will be at the school Saturday/Sunday. Several areas have been identified for plant boxes, greenhouses and both flower and vegetable gardens.

We need your help! If you are cleaning up your gardens and have plants such as hostas, lilies, rhodos, or other perennial flowers or vegetables, we would love to be the recipients of what you are thinning out! If you are able to **drop off plants at the school, in pots, between May 24th and 27th**, we will have people available to accept donations by the main doors between 8:30 am and 3:45 pm. If you have donations but would like to arrange pick-up, please contact the school at (902) 542-6060 or email jodye.routledge@avrce.ca to let us know where to find you and how much room we'll need for plants!

Thank you in advance for helping us provide food for bees, food for our lunch programs, and for helping to make our property more beautiful!

Calling all of our wonderful community problem-solvers:

Kentville Interchurch Council forwarded this urgent notice:

We are assisting the Immigrant Settlement Staff, YREACH Program (Recognizing Enhancing Aligning Community Horizons) in the search for a home for a **family of 10** that will be homeless at the end of May.

The home they were renting in Kentville was sold and they have been evicted because the new owners want to live there. They have lived in Canada for about 5 years and were a refugee family originally. Now they have found themselves in this very tough situation and they are still learning English which makes it even harder.

Does anyone know of a home for rent in the area? The family is willing to move to Wolfville and area if that's where there is a home for them.

The dad and the oldest child, who is 20, both work full time to support the family. Two of the children are pre-schoolers at home and the rest are in school.

Any help you can offer to assist a member of the Valley community would be appreciated.

Please contact:

The WBC office (902-542-5524; wolfvillebc@gmail.com)

Sarah Ehler (902-599-4445; sarah.ehler@halifax.ymca.ca)

Thank you!

