

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, May 22nd, 2022

Welcome all who worship with us! We're happy to be together. Thank you to the following people for their participation:

Leaders of Worship.....Rev. Don Sellsted and Pastor Katie Logan
Music Director/Organist..... Ken Hassell
Anthem.....Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Musicians.....Andy Kavanagh, Wayne MacDonald
Scripture Reader.....Marion Buchan
Live-stream Team.....Carol Dewar/Andrea Purvis, Gary Dunfield, Sylvia Jacquard
Ushers.....Bill Woodman/Fran Turner

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, May 22nd, 2022 – There will be a live-streamed service this Sunday at 10:00am. Please join us on-line if you are unable to attend in person.

This week at OVUC:

It is with best wishes and heavy hearts that this Sunday will be our Ken and Cynthia's last Sunday here at Orchard Valley. After years of dedicated work in the United Church they are off to new adventures in Montreal! We are so grateful for everything they've done for us and they will be dearly missed. Ken and Cynthia, we love you... you are in our prayers and in our hearts!

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). 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.

Please join us for a time of hospitality after Worship! 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!

Friday Morning Breakfast – has restarted at the Greenwich Hall, 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. ***Please note: There will be no Spirit Yoga on Monday, May 23rd (Victoria Day).***

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 UPDATE – Thanks very much to all who have contributed so far: we have raised \$980, which will cover the \$945 in fees for the three youth/children attending age-specific camps!!! We also have **5 families wishing to rent cabins at the camp** for a total of **\$900 in fees, plus mileage**, if applicable. Please consider making a donation to ensure all these families can go to camp, too! 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.* Thank you!

Youth Activities:

Kids Hang Out: Saturday, May 21 (1pm – 3:30pm) PRIDE theme!

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

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

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!

Vacation Bible Camp this summer (Youth volunteers wanted):

August 15-16 for grades primary to four from 1-5pm

August 22-23 for ages 2-5 from 1-5pm

Registration is FREE! Contact Pastor Katie for more information

Sponsor a weekly Worship bulletin – If you would like to sponsor a weekly Worship 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)

FundScrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

Delivery Dates

May 29

May 22

June 05

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/UCEW4V0pk_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 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!

The Kings Kikima Grannies will be holding a spring jewellery sale, plus re-imagined art, plants, puzzles, games, yarn... and a fabulous silent auction! Saturday, June 11, 9am – 2pm, at the Wolfville Lion's Hall.

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!

<p>This week's Worship Bulletin is dedicated to Ken and Cynthia, with heartfelt gratitude for their many years of service and dedication to the United Church. You have, both, added so much to our Worship services. Our love and best wishes go with you!</p>
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