

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, October 16th, 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
Pastor Katie Logan
Accompanist..... Carmen Peng
Anthem.....Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Reader.....Sylvia Jacquard
Live-stream Team.....Gary Dunfield/Sylvia Jacquard
Helen Seymour
Ushers.....Linda Draper/Marion Buchan

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, October 16th, 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.

OVUC Admin Office hours:

Monday – Thursday / 8am – 12pm.

~Church offices are closed on Fridays~

Rev Don is at the Church Mon-Thurs during the day. Please reach out to confirm before making a special trip outside regular Admin Office hours.

Upcoming events/activities/notices at OVUC:

A Note of Thanks from the Building Fundraising and Facilities Committees:

Those charged with planning the building renovation and raising the required funds to execute the project would like to thank the congregation for their tremendous support over the past couple of years as we worked through all the steps to get to where we are!

We set out to raise \$250,000 through conversations with members of our church family, and we have done exactly that. Thank you! We are waiting to hear about a grant application and have other stones to turn, but our hope is to minimize any mortgage necessary. Anyone interested in contributing further is invited to have a conversation with any committee member or make a gift online, with a cheque or PAR pledge. Again, we thank you for your generosity.

The Facilities Committee has prepared a virtual tour of the renovation and it is available to watch on the website. It's time to see the many years of dreaming and planning start to come together!

Fundraising Committee: Ned Chase, Jim Dewar, Harvey Gilmour, Ian Godfrey, Nancy Handrigan, Jane McDonald, Chris Seymour, Scott Sweatman

Facilities Committee: Cupido Daniels, Gary Dunfield, Harvey Gilmour, Jane McDonald, Dave Murphy, Rev Don Sellsted

Coffee/Tea Time – Please remember all are welcome to stay for a time of fellowship following our weekly Worship Service (tasty snacks included).

The United Church of Canada - offers a program to become an ***anti-racist Church***. If you are interested, please go to the United Church website and click on “40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism” to find learnings, reflections and actions. The 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism is relaunching this year with brand-new content! ***The program will run from Tuesday, October 11 to Friday, November 25, 2022.*** New stories will be offered daily (with the exception of Sundays). A calendar of events and daily content is available on the website.

Special Appreciation – Sincere thanks to ***Brenda Parker, Anne Clattenburg and Pam Petrie*** for their talents and time spent decorating the Church so beautifully for Thanksgiving. Thank you, as well, to ***Jennie Bustin of Noggins Corner Farm*** for their generous donation of hay, pumpkins and vegetables. Your support is most appreciated!

Tellers - As we return to our new “normal”, we are looking for Tellers to count collection. This job includes counting the collection after the service, recording the information on deposit slips and making the deposit at the Credit Union. Folks work in pairs. If you are interested in supporting OVUC in this, please contact Heather Bishop, or Rachel at the Church office.

Salvation Army Early Christmas Hamper Registration – October 18–21 & 25-28. *An appointment is required.* Please call: (902)678-4534 (Location: The Salvation Army Community Church 15 Nichols Ave., Kentville, NS).

Prayer Shawl – meeting Tuesday, October 18th at the Church. Everyone welcome!

Spirit Yoga – Mondays at 10:30am. Please come along (friends are welcome!) and experience Spirit Yoga with Joy. A relaxing and uplifting way to start your week!

Friday Morning Women's Breakfast – at the Greenwich Hall (Greenwich Road), 8:30am each Friday. **Please note: Friday Morning Women's Breakfast is cancelled for Friday, October 14th.**

Fundscrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

October 16

October 30

Delivery Dates

October 23

November 06

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

Youth Programs

Mystery Friends sign-up begins this month and is due **Nov 12th**. If you or your kids would like to take part in this program please fill out the forms on the children's table outside of Pastor Katie's office. Mystery friends is an anonymous pen pal program where a youth in the congregation is partnered with an adult in the congregation for five weeks. They write letters using their codenames for the first four weeks, then meet on the fourth week at our Celebration with Santa!

Youth Group begins Friday (**Oct 14th**) from 6:30-8:00pm; feel free to bring your friends! (grades 6 to 9, older youth are welcome but please let us know first, as we'd love to do a group for their ages, too!).

Kids hang out (ages 2-grade 6) begins **Oct 22nd** (we switched weeks to not clash with youth group the night before) Youth Volunteers are welcome to come to help out! Halloween-themed-costumes are encouraged!

Voyagers (our Sunday morning program) is looking to switch to two

groups to accommodate the need of our crew! If you are able or someone you know can commit to one Sunday per month to teach we would love to have you. It will be for ages 2 to grade 6 and the curriculum will already be planned ahead of time by Pastor Katie

and sent to you beforehand so you can review and ask any questions.

Voyagers takes place during the Sunday morning service from approximately 10:15am-11:05am.

We are currently all ages but looking forward to having two separate age groups (age 2 to grade 6 and grade 6 to 9) and older youth are encouraged to volunteer to lead the younger age group with a partner.

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 – Please view our weekly posted 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.

Bottle Drive for Refugee Sponsorship at the Kentville Baptist Church parking lot on ***Saturday, October 15th 9am – 12 noon.*** Proceeds will help reunite a Somali family presently in a Refugee Camp in Kenya with their family already living in Kentville.

Manning Memorial Chapel - Words & Music is a series of services offered on the 3rd Sunday of the month, 7:00 PM at the Manning Memorial Chapel. Local singer/songwriters will offer original songs, and guest speakers spoken word in harmony with the ancient texts and congregational hymns. ***October 16th, guest songwriter Mel Comeau*** will be offering original songs in Acadian French and English. Acadia Alumni/ae, members of the Wolfville and other nearby communities, Acadia faculty, staff and students are invited to join us for a Meet and Greet experience over a light meal at 5.30 p.m. in the Chapel basement.

October 19th - 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 Carrot Cake with Cream Cheese Icing all for \$10. Call to order by October 17th to Carol Ann Burden, 902-542-3681 or Ruth Blenkhorn, 902-542-7141 and we will call you back with a pick-up time on October 18th. Looking forward to seeing you!

Wolfville Baptist Church – Concert: Music by J. S. Bach/Schubert performed by pianist, Walter Delahunt on Sunday, Oct 23rd, 3:30pm.