

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, November 20th, 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.....	The Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Reader.....	Sarah Hartman
Live-stream Team.....	Gary Dunfield/Sylvia Jacquard Carol Dewar
Ushers.....	Ian Godfrey/Marion Buchan
Hospitality.....	Carol Dewar/Cheryl Sellsted

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, November 20th, 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:

Coffee/Tea Time – a time of fellowship following our weekly Worship Service (tasty snacks included).

Christmas Hamper Update - Three weeks until the Christmas Hamper deliveries and we are well on our way to success. Thus far, ***just over \$3600.00*** has been donated toward the Hampers. ***Our goal is \$5200.00.*** If you would like to contribute, envelopes are at the back of the church. Be sure to make cheques out to Orchard Valley United Church with the memo to “Christmas Hampers”. Thanks for your generosity!

OVUC MEN’S GROUP FUNDSCRIP PROGRAM -

Thank you, valued supporters! This program has successfully raised an average of \$2,800 per annum which is donated back to the Church to assist with its operating expenses and to support Outreach projects such as Meet Your Feet, the Christmas Hamper program and others.

Reminder: Gift cards make excellent Christmas gifts!! Our last order dates before Christmas are November 27th and December 11th with the orders delivered to all supporters on December 4th and December 18th. So, plan to place your orders soon. *Also, plan your ordering so you will have grocery/gas shopping gift cards on hand during our shut down period over the Xmas season from December 12th to January 8th, (our first order date in 2023).*

Please contact one of the following men for an order form - Cecil White, Bruce Smith or Ian Godfrey.

The OVUC Decorating Team is making plans for Christmas!

We are looking for **angel tree ornaments** – handmade, purchased, old or new. If you wish to contribute an angel it would be most appreciated. We will need them by this **Sunday, November 20th**. A box (clearly marked) has been placed beside the door near the food

bank/pantry for you to drop them off. We are getting excited!!

OVUC Men's Group – Guy's Cans Fundraiser

A reminder the deadline to return your Guy's Can or make your annual donation is ***November 30, 2022***.

You can place an envelope in the Church offering plate. Your envelope and/or donation should be clearly designated to the **“OVUC Men's Group Guys Can Project”**. Please ensure your name and envelope number is noted in the envelope or on the can label in order to receive a tax receipt.

You can also mail your donation to: ***Orchard Valley United Church Men's Group, Attention – Bill Simpson, Treasurer, 130 Cornwallis Avenue New Minas, NS. B4N 3M7***

Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation and for your continued support!

King's Kikima Grannies Christmas Sale – Saturday, November 26th, 9-2pm at Wolfville Lions Hall, Elm Avenue. Jewellery, plants, fabric & yarn, puzzles, re-imagined jewelry art and silent auction. Public health guidelines in effect, masks and social distancing are recommended.

Fundscrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

Delivery Date

November 27

November 20

December 04

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

Youth Programs

Voyagers (our Sunday morning program) is looking to switch to two groups to accommodate the need of our crew! Currently, all ages but looking forward to having two separate age groups (age 2 – grade 6

and grades 6-9). Older youth are encouraged to volunteer to lead the younger age group with a partner!

Youth and Family Book Writing: Inviting youth and adults to write a book about your family with your siblings, your children, your grandchildren, etc.! In partnership with Valley Community Learning Association's family literacy program, we will have a special Youth Group meeting for this on **Friday, November 25, from 6:30-8pm.** Your book will make a wonderful family memento and can also be a very unique and beautiful Christmas present.

You will need a topic for your book. Themes can be as varied and as personal as you wish: a summer holiday, your favourite pet, family close to your heart, your favourite meals, etc. Once you have your topic, you will need to select 12-25 photos that relate to your theme. **Email your photos to Katie at youth.ovuc@gmail.com.** Please let us know in advance how many copies of your book (up to 10) that you would like. We will be collecting donations to help cover the costs of printing the books.

Celebration with Santa: Do you hear those jingle bells? Because Santa is on his way to Orchard Valley on **Dec 4th** following our White Gift Service! Following the worship service on Dec 4th, during coffee/hospitality time, Santa will be here to take photos and spread some Christmas cheer! We are also looking for youth and child volunteers to take part in a Christmas themed play during the service. If this interests you please contact Katie at youth.ovuc@gmail.com

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.

Sat. Nov. 26th, St. John's ACW Christmas Bazaar - 10am-1pm.

Admission: free will offering. Featuring our famous ACW Christmas puddings, home baking, White Elephant table, grab bags, Christmas Table center pieces, jams, jellies, preserves and fancy homemade crafts. Mask or face coverings are required while inside the building.

WOLFVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH HOLLY TEA & SALE: Saturday, November 19th. 2 seatings: 1 pm and 3 pm. A wonderful festive TEA complete with delicious sandwiches and cakes. Gluten-free option available. A SALE starts at 2:30 with baked goods, crafts, jewelry, scarves and pre-loved treasures. FREE-WILL OFFERING. TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT, call either Hazel Walker (902-697-2136) for the 1 pm seating; or Judy Macmillan (902-542-9665) for the 3 pm seating.

Winter Memory Café – Charts Café in Wolfville.

What is a Memory Café? It is a free winter social event for individuals, families and caretakers living with memory challenges.

What happens at Memory Café? We enjoy conversations,

entertainment and each other's company in a relaxing, welcoming atmosphere. So grab your favourite hot beverage and get cozy for an hour of connecting and sharing.

What technology is required for me to attend virtually? An internet connected device (phone, laptop, tablet). We can help you get set up!

Join us from 2:30-3:30pm on these dates:

Tuesday, December 6 – In Person

Tuesday, January 17 – Virtual

Tuesday, February 14 – Virtual

Tuesday, March 14 – In Person

Tuesday, April 18 – In Person

Registration: Email recreation@wolfville.ca or call 902-542-3019

This week's bulletin is sponsored by Vangé Leslie

In loving memory of her parents,

~Howard and Ivy Connell~