

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, December 18th, 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
Music Director..... Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist..... Carmen Peng
Anthem..... Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Special Music..... Cupido Daniels, Doug MacKinnon, Rachel MacLean
Live-stream Team..... Gary Dunfield/Sylvia Jacquard/Carol Dewar
Ushers..... Ian Godfrey, Gordon Wray
Hospitality..... Sylvia Jacquard, Doris Laurence
Advent Candle Lighting:
4th Sunday of Advent..... Johanna Rosolen, Katia and Wesley

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, December 18th, 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.

OVUC Admin office hours:

Monday – Thursday/8am–12pm.

~Church offices are closed on Fridays~

Rev Don will be at the Church Mon-Thurs throughout 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 – Please remember all are welcome to stay for a time of fellowship following our weekly Worship Service (tasty snacks included).

Christmas Worship Service dates and times :

Musical Nativity Service – December 18th at 10am

Blue Christmas Service – December 21st at 7pm

Christmas Eve Service – December 24th at 4pm

Covenanter Christmas Eve Service – December 24th at 11pm

Christmas Day Service – December 25th at 10am

New Year's Day Service – January 1st at 10am

Men's Breakfast – is cancelled on Sunday, January 1st. This is due to business closures on New Year's Day.

Friday Morning Women's Breakfast – hosting a special Christmas Brunch at Greenwich Community Centre on December 16th at 10am. Please email or phone Cheryl Manzer to register, as there is a seating limit. Email: manzercheryl@gmail.com Phone: 902-847-1798

NEW YEAR'S EVE - You don't have plans?! Come to the church and join us for cards, board games, music and fellowship.

Congregational Life Committee is offering a New Year's Eve social gathering from 4:00-8:00 pm. Bring your favourite board game or playing cards. There will be music playing in the background as well as an hour of musical entertainment provided by The Steeple Strummers! Punch, tea and coffee will be supplied by our committee. Whiz-bangers and floo-trumpets (ok, actually crackers and noise makers of some sort) will be available to help ring in the New Year, albeit a bit early - but who is counting? Please bring a finger-food item or snack to share. This will be the food that sustains us during our time together. Any questions can be directed to the church office and you will be put in touch with a committee member or ask Cheryl Sellsted, Norma Mailman or Gail Gordon directly.

Congregational Life Committee – will be putting together the after-Church hospitality list mid-December for January – June. Hoping for a few more helpers, if possible. If you are interested, please send your phone number and email address to gailgord@hotmail.com or speak to any of our members.

Fundscrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

Delivery Dates

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*Please note * the next opportunity to order gift cards is January 8th, 2023.*

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

Youth Programs

Voyagers (our Sunday morning program): Grades 6-9 are welcome to join our Voyagers Senior class and Grades 5 and under are part of our Junior Voyagers class. 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_znrA5gevOqCr9Q

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.

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From Mary and Family