

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, April 16th, 2023

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
Message.....	The Right Rev. Dr. Carmen Lansdowne
Music Director.....	Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist.....	Carmen Peng
Anthem.....	Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Readings.....	Scott Sweatman
Call to Action.....	Julien Davis
Live-stream Team.....	Carol Dewar/Gary Dunfield/Sylvia Jacquard/Andrea Purvis
Ushers.....	Fran Turner, Joy Waterbury
Coffee Time.....	Vera Burke, Helen Seymour

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, April 16th, 2023 – 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).

Spring Canucopia Food Bank Drive –Saturday, April 15th, at Sobeys New Minas from 9am-5pm. All food items and money raised will be divided between our three local food banks – Canning, Fundy (serving Kentville/New Minas) & Wolfville. Please lend your support to this worthy cause.

Orchard Valley United Church Choir Director search -

(OVUC) is seeking a Choir Director to oversee the ministry of music in our welcoming church, which is currently expanding its facilities. Music is an integral part of OVUC – an inclusive, multigenerational church, where a variety of musical expressions weave into the traditional church service.

An energetic person with the training and vision to grow the music program in step with the expansion of the church, the Choir Director should have a high level of choral directing skills, ability to teach and lead a choir, knowledge of sacred music and good motivational skills. The Choir Director will work closely with the Pianist to ensure all music is prepared for accompanying the choir and other music groups as well as leading congregational worship music for all services. Working with all age groups in a variety of musical styles, the Choir Director also has a good sense of humour.

Part-time, approximately 12 hours per week, salary to be negotiated.

For a full job description and application details, please visit our website at: orchardvalleyunited.ca

Please send applications to: orchardvalleysearch@gmail.com

Book Lovers - Please attend a very brief meeting after church on *April 23rd* during coffee-time to organize the inaugural meeting for a book club. This club will be modelled on a very successful book club at the coordinator's previous congregation. The book club is expected to meet every 5 to 6 weeks or so for 90 minutes with potluck snacks. The organizational meeting will establish a convenient time and date for the book club and select the book to be discussed. A contact list for interested participants will also be generated. If you have questions or wish to express an opinion but are unable to attend the organization meeting, please contact Gordon Wray (519) 729-0823/ gordontwray@gmail.com (Please see attached list of suggested books).

Gift Basket for Libraries - New Minas Elementary is holding an auction on the 29th of April to raise funds to build up their classroom libraries. As a member of the New Minas Community we thought we could contribute a gift basket or two depending on the response from the congregation to help support their efforts. If you would like to donate an item or monies that could be used to purchase items we would readily accept any offerings you wish to contribute. Please let Jane McDonald, Cheryl Sellsted or Rachel know. You can drop off contributions to the office if you wish.

Yard sale – OVUC is holding a Yard sale *open to the Congregation* at our Church in the mall on Friday, April 21, 6-8pm. The Yard sale *open to the general public* will take place on Saturday, April 22nd, 9am-1pm. Items will include: Furniture, toys, kitchenware, office items and more!

King's Kikima Grannies - Spring Jewellery Sale: Wolfville Lion's Hall April 22nd, 9am-3pm. Sale also includes fabrics, yarn, puzzles & 'jewellery' – pictures. Mask protocol in place.

Friday Morning Women's Coffee Party – Reminder: There is no Coffee Party this week but **Friday Morning Women's Breakfast will resume on April 21st, 8:30am** at the Greenwich Hall (until we can get back to our new kitchen in our newly renovated OVUC!).

Spirit Yoga with Joy – If you are looking for an uplifting way to start your day, please join Joy Mondays at 10:30am for a time of relaxation and rejuvenation. All are welcome! *Suggested donation: \$5*

Fundscrip Gift Cards:

Order

Dates

Delivery Dates

April 16

April 23

April 30

May 07

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

Youth Programs

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

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 - our "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, roll and butter and either Apple Crisp or Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Icing all for \$10. Call by Monday, April 17th to Carol Ann Burden – 902-542-3681 or Ruth Blenkhorn 902-542- 7141 Pick-up time call-back on April 18th.