

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, May 7th, 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.....Pastor Katie Logan
Music Director.....Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist.....Carmen Peng
Additional Musical Accompaniment.....Dave Murphy, Chris Seymour
Anthem.....Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Readings.....Roger Bolt
Live-stream Team.....Carol Dewar/Gary Dunfield/Sylvia Jacquard/Andrea Purvis
Ushers/Greeters.....Dawn Boudreau, Fran Turner
Coffee Time.....Sheila Francis, Peggy Smith

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, May 7th, 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).

Food Bank Sunday this week - The food bank is seeing roughly 60 families per week. A few food donation ideas: canned soup, Kraft dinner, pasta, apple juice, canned meat or fish, evaporated milk. Many thanks for all the committees that participated in the “Birthday Bags” for the Fundy Food Bank! The clients will be delighted to receive a bag on their birthday ~ Sue Smith, *Manager Fundy Food Bank*

Outreach Committee – will meet following Worship Service on Sunday, May 7th in the boardroom.

Prayer Shawl – will meet on Tuesday, May 9th at 2pm at the Church. All are welcome!

Friday Morning Women's Breakfast – 8:30am at the Greenwich Hall (until we can get back to our new kitchen in our newly renovated OVUC!).

Orchard Valley Book Club - Saturday June 3 starting at 9:30 a.m. at the church with potluck refreshments. We will be discussing *The Farm* by Joanne Ramos. This story follows Jane, an immigrant from the Philippines who commits to being a surrogate mother to fund a better life for her baby daughter. Jane struggles to cope with her situation while wracked with worry for the daughter she left in another's care. If you have questions please contact Gordon Wray (519) 729-0823 gordontwray@gmail.com

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*

OVUC Men's Breakfast – will be meeting on Sunday, May 7th, 8am at the Irving Big Stop, New Minas for breakfast and fellowship. Hope to see you there!

Special Message –

Dear Orchard Valley Community,

The Orchard Valley United Church Community has done it again! The response to helping the Ukrainian Refugee Family was so overwhelming, that we could have helped two more families! We have now furnished the apartment and set up the kitchen and bedrooms so that they can feel at home. We will let them settle in later this week and if a specific need arises, I still have the lists of things that you offered, and will contact you if necessary.

I want to sincerely thank all of you who wrote out lists, donated items and offered financial support. My apologies for not writing back to each of you individually, but I know the family will be very grateful.

Thank you all so very much!

Best,
Peter

Fundscrip Gift Cards:

Order Dates

Delivery Dates

May 14

May 07

May 21

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_znrA5gevOqCr9Q

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.

The Port Williams and Area Health Auxiliary - invites you to join us for our next meeting in Lockwood Hall, at the **Port Williams United Baptist Church**, on Tuesday May 9th at 2pm. Dr. Jyl Bishop-Veale will be presenting a program about the immune system & keeping healthy. All are welcome to attend!

Nova Voce (NS Provincial Men's Choir) – will present a “Musical Journey by Rail across our Beautiful Country” on **Sunday, May 14th at 3pm at Wolfville Baptist Church**. Tickets available at www.novavoce.com or at the door. Tickets: \$25 (adults) /\$10 (students and underwaged).

Kings Chorale – A local community choir with over 60 singers from across King's County, presents their 40th Anniversary Spring Concert on **Monday, May 15 at 7:30pm, Wolfville Baptist Church**. The program, “Singer's Choice” presents music selected by choir members from over the past 40 years of happy music making. Reception to follow! Tickets: \$25 (adults)/ \$10 (students), and are available from Cupido Daniels, Mary McFarlane, and Angela & Marilyn Whiteway.