

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, June 25th, 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
Choir Director.....	Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist.....	Carmen Peng
Anthem.....	Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Call to Action.....	Cheryl Sellsted
Scripture Readings.....	Sarah Hartman
Live-stream Team.....	Carol Dewar, Gary Dunfield Sylvia Jacquard, Andrea Purvis
Ushers/Greeters.....	Marion Buchan, Gordon Wray
Coffee Time.....	Frank & Sarah Hartman, Annette Wray
Tellers.....	Heather Bishop, Jane McDonald

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, June 25th, 2023 – 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:

Regular 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 notices/meetings/events at OVUC:

<i>June 25</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>10am</i> <i>2pm-4:30pm</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship Service Orchard Valley• Men's Group Fundscrip Gift Card order date• Church booked for private event
<i>June 26</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spirit Yoga with Joy!
<i>June 29</i>	<i>Thurs</i>	<i>10am</i> <i>7pm</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hope New Minas Al Anon Family Group – weekly meeting.• Orchard Valley United Church Choir practise
<i>July 02</i>	<i>Sun</i>	<i>10 am</i> <i>11 am</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship Service Orchard Valley• Covenanter Church Summer Series – first Worship Service of the summer led by Rev. Gloria Churchill

(Please visit our website at www.orchardvalleyunited.ca for online Worship and much more!)

Committees/Groups: *Please contact the Admin Office if you would like to have your new or recurring meeting or event included in the Weekly Announcement Calendar.*

Ushers/Greeters/Offering – Moving back to our “Forever Home” has been wonderful and with the added space and brand-new entrance at the back of the Church, we are enjoying increased accessibility into the Sanctuary. This has also greatly increased the need for more helpers. Please search your hearts (and calendars) to see if helping out during Worship Service is for you. If you feel moved to volunteer, please contact our Admin office via email or phone. Thanks!

Coffee/Teatime – please join us for a time of fellowship following our weekly Worship Service (tasty snacks included)

The Covenanter Church – is looking to fill the position of Treasurer/Secretary. Please contact OVUC for more information.

Camp Sponsorship Drive – Thank you to all who contributed this year: we raised \$1125, which will send several families to Sherbrooke Lake Camp for the second family rental, Labour Day weekend. Thanks again for supporting this!

Orchard Valley Book Club – Saturday, September 9 at 9:30am at the church with potluck refreshments. We will be discussing *Ducks* by Kate Beaton—a graphic novel and Canada Reads selection for 2023. To pay off her student loans, Kate leaves her beloved Cape Breton to work in the Oil Sands. There she endures culture shock, the misogyny of a male dominated workforce, and the trauma of an industry that exploits the natural resources and the people who work for them. If you have questions please contact Gordon Wray (519) 729-0823 gordontwray@gmail.com

Youth Programs

Children/Youth Programming – Sending warm summer wishes to all our children and youth as they finish up the school year. As Sunday is Pastor Katie's last day, there will be no Voyagers or Children's programming until September. However, children are always welcome and are free to use the activity bins under the welcome table if they would like to stay in-service during Worship and they are welcome to play with the toys and books in the children's rooms.

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/UCFW4VOpk_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.

Volunteers Needed for School Break Food Program -- The Wolfville Area Inter-Church Council has initiated a new program to provide extra food to families with school-aged children: while in

school, these children have access to breakfast, lunch and snack programs but not while at home on breaks. WAICC's new program will operate three times a year via the Wolfville Area Food Bank. We need volunteers over the summer to help pack the food on **Wednesdays, 4:00 to 6:00 pm**, on the following days: July 5, July 19, August 9 and August 23. If you would like to assist with this or would like more information, please contact Andy Pitter (andriel_p@yahoo.ca; 902-542-1545).

Drivers Needed -- The Wolfville Area Food Bank needs volunteer drivers for delivering food orders to clients. As well as being vaccinated, volunteers need to be willing to wear a mask and sign a confidentiality form. Potential volunteers need to do a test run with the Food Bank driver coordinator or his assistant. Drivers or someone with them need to be able to carry the food to and from their vehicles AND up and down flights of stairs. Shifts are 3 hours long, either in the morning or afternoon, on the following **Thursdays**: July 6, July 20, August 10 and August 24. To volunteer or ask for more information, please call the Food Bank (902-542-0040) and leave a message for Terry with your name and phone number.