Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, September 3rd, 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
	Rev. Dr. Linda Marcotte
Choir Director	Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist	Carmen Peng
Anthem	Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Scripture Readings	Fran Turner
Live-stream Team	Carol Dewar, Gary Dunfield
	Sylvia Jacquard, Andrea Purvis
TellersF	Heather Bishop, Mindy Vinqvist Tymchuk
Ushers/Greeters	TBA

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, Sept 3rd, 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.

Admin Office hours: Monday - Thursday / 8am - 12pm. ~All Church offices are closed on Fridays ~

Rev. Don is in the office, daily, Monday - Thursday
Rev. Linda's office hours – Tues & Thurs, 10am-1pm or by appointment on other days
Please reach out to confirm with Rev. Don/Rev. Linda/Admin Office before making a special
trip outside Admin Office hours.

Upcoming notices/meetings/events at OVUC:

Sept 03	Sun	10am	 Worship Service Men's Group Fundscrip Gift Cards – taking orders
Sept 06	Wed		• Christian Development meeting – 7pm
Sept 07	Thurs	10am	Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group (see below)
Sept 08	Fri	8:30am	Friday Morning Women's Breakfast Group - OVUC
Sept 10	Sun	10am	 OVUC Worship Service Men's Group Fundscrip Gift cards – order delivery Outreach Committee & Affirming Committee – meeting (separately) following Worship Service

Sept 12	Tues	10:30am 7pm	 Congregational Life meeting – OVUC Worship Committee meeting - OVUC
Sept 13	Wed	2pm	• Property Committee meeting - OVUC
Sept 14	Thurs	10am	 Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group (see below)
Sept 15	Fri	8:30am 12pm	 Friday Morning Women's Breakfast Group – OVUC Men's Luncheon - OVUC

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

Coffee Time after Worship Service will start again in September. Thanks to all the volunteers who have helped out each week!!

Calling all knitters & those who crochet - the Prayer Shawl group is participating in the "Red Scarf" event sponsored by the AIDS Coalition. Red scarves are collected and hung on a fence in Halifax for anyone who needs something warm. If you would like to make a scarf *or more*, that would be great! These must be completed by mid November to allow time for the launch December 1st.

Kings Kikima Grannies' Annual Giant Yard Sale – Saturday, September 9th: 8:00 am - 1:30 pm, 15 Chestnut Avenue, Wolfville. Drop off donated items on Friday, September 8th from 1-6 pm. All items accepted except clothing, books & shoes. Public health guidelines recommended. Freewill donations are welcome, but change will not be available.

Coffee Party – to raise funds for volunteers travelling to Guatemala on a Social Justice delegation to help support the local people e through the *Breaking the Silence* Network. **Just Us** fair trade products will be for sale. Hear a brief history of the project. Location: Orchard Valley United Church. Dates/Times: **Saturday, September 16**th **9:30-11am and Saturday, September 23**rd **9:30-11am**.

Special Event at OVUC! September 17 @ 2:00pm – Mark your calendar! We will begin at 2:00pm with the Covenanting of Rev Dr Linda Marcotte as our Youth and Family Minister. This will be followed by a Re-Dedication Service for our newly renovated Orchard Valley United Church building. This is a special service in the life of Orchard Valley United and hope you are able to attend. Details to come as planning is underway.

Men's Fellowship Luncheon – Friday, September 15, 2023 at 12:00 Noon - All men are invited to our first post-Covid Men's Fellowship Luncheon to be held at Orchard Valley United Church at noon on Friday, September 15th. Cost is \$7.00 per person. Lunch is served at noon, so come a little early for some fellowship with 'the boys'. Our guest speaker will be Tom Juby, a retired RCMP officer. Constable Juby was a lead investigator into the Swissair Crash into St. Margaret's Bay on September 2, 1998. Constable Juby believes there was a systematic cover-up in this investigation.

Please advise the Church office by e-mail adminovu@bellaliant.com or by telephone – (902) 681-0366, Ext 1, by Wednesday, September 6th if you will be attending so we can plan the luncheon.

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.

Port Williams Baptist Church - First of the Season Hamburger Soup/Corn Chowder Luncheon on September 20th from 11:30-12:15. Dessert choices are Apple Crisp or Chocolate Cake with Chocolate Icing and a delicious roll from The Flower Cart. Cost is \$10. Please call Carol Ann at 902-542-3681 or Ruth at 902-542-7141 by Monday, September 18th. We will call you back with a pick up time on Tuesday. Looking forward to seeing familiar faces!

Connection Changes Everything - A free event to learn more about living with dementia and local resources available to help. Port Williams Baptist Church - September 21st from 1:30pm-4:00pm

Valley Ghost Walks – There will be a ghost walk meeting at the Covenanter Church on October 28th, at 7:45pm. To find out more information or to order tickets, call (902) 692-8546 or email lerome@valleyghostwalks.com. There will be live performers during the ghost walk.