

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, May 4, 2025

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, Max Martin
Choir Director.....Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist..... Carmen Peng
Scripture Readings..... Chris Seymour
Introit Orchard Valley United Church Choir
Live Stream Team..... Mary Cormier, Gary Dunfield
Sylvia Jacquard, Grace Oleskevich, Andrea Purvis
Gordon Wray
Tellers..... Andrea Purvis
Greeters..... Arthur Bennett, Ian Godfrey
Hospitality..... Sandra Bornemann, Margaret Clarke
Jane McDonald, Jean Millett, Linda Swindells

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, May 4, 2025 – 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.

<https://youtube.com/live/FOJydMGAHs?feature=share>

OVUC Admin Office hours – Monday – Thursday, 8am-12pm
Rev. Don's office days: Monday - Thursday
~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~

May 01	Thurs	10am 1pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social • Choir Rehearsal
May 02	Fri	All day 8:30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>OVUC Offices Closed</i> • Women's Breakfast
May 03	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NA Meeting (Narcotics Anonymous)
May 04	Sun	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service & Sunday School
May 05	Mon	10:30am 6pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirit Yoga • Carnival Meeting
May 06	Tues	2pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walking Thru the Bible • Steeple Strummers
May 07	Wed	12:30pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kitchen Committee • Steeple Strummers
May 08	Thurs	10am 1pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social • Choir Rehearsal
May 09	Fri	All day 8:30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>OVUC Offices Closed</i> • Women's Breakfast
May 10	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NA Meeting
May 11	Sun	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service & Sunday School • Short Congregational meeting immediately following the service. As a congregation, we need to reaffirm our call to Max Martin now that he has been approved for ordination.

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

Message from the Admin Office:

We have a new email address! admin@orchardvalleyunited.ca

***Lost and Found** – On May 1st, we will be donating/getting rid of the various items in our Lost and Found box (on the shelf above the coat closet). Please take a look for anything you may be missing!

*** OVUC Carnival – May 24th** – We are looking for vendors to participate in the Carnival in May. Would you like to sell your crafts, wares, or know someone who does? \$10 to rent a table for the event. To book your table, please email Bev at bevcyf@gmail.com

*** Morning Tea Collective – May 21st at 10:30am.**

The History of Afternoon Tea – *presented by Lesley Chapman & Jennifer Chapman*

You are cordially invited to sip, nibble and adorn your cranium..... Join us for a delightful talk on the art, history and etiquette of Afternoon Tea. BUT WAIT! This is no ordinary tea talk. Ladies are strongly encouraged to wear, create or otherwise conjure a hat or fascinator...the more flamboyant the better. Glue guns, garden foliage and sheer audacity welcome. Of course, Gentlemen are welcome to don fancy neckwear. PLUS Test your teatime trivia with a lighthearted quiz, where the winner takes home a glorious prize and eternal bragging rights (or at least until the next cucumber sandwich). Don't be shy, let your millinery imagination run wild. After all, if one cannot wear a teacup on one's head at an Afternoon Tea talk, when *can* one? Come join us!

Men's Fellowship Luncheon at OVUC on Friday, May 16th at 12 noon - All men are cordially invited to our next Fellowship Luncheon on Friday, May 16th at 12:00 noon. Plan to come a little early, around 11:30 AM for some, coffee, tea and fellowship before the Luncheon starts at 12:00 noon sharp. *Cost is \$7 per person.*

Our speaker will be Jen Bolt who will be speaking to us on philanthropy and the raising of millions of dollars for Acadia University and other local organizations.

Jen, in conjunction with our own Harvey Gilmour, formed a local consulting company called Red Letter Philanthropy which helped numerous charities to raise funds for many local projects.

Jen is currently The Charitable Giving Director at The McCain Foundation, the Philanthropic Arm of McCain Foods Canada.

Please indicate your intention to join us on May 16th by *signing the sign-up sheet* on the table beside the name tags in our hospitality room by Sunday, May 11th, so we can plan the quantities needed.

Questions and comments can be addressed to Dave Murphy, Chris Seymour or Ian Godfrey.

*** Looking for an upright freezer? OMNI Upright Freezer - 5.3cu**

It is less than a year old and is currently in the kitchen at OVUC if you are interested and wish to take a look. Price: \$330 - Please see Norma, Property Committee, at 902-681-1734 for more information.

Property is also selling snow blower - "Yard Machine", 30" cut, approximately 15 yrs old, electric start, and it works! (possible fuel line gas leak). \$225 or best offer. Contact Custodian, Darrell McDow at OVUC.

There are plates, platters, bowls, etc. in the kitchen that do not belong to OVUC. Please take yours home before that date, as *anything left will be sold in the yard sale* at our Carnival at OVUC.

Scholarships available!!** Orchard Valley makes available two scholarships, The Rev. Dr. K.G. Sullivan Scholarship and The Arthur R. Allen Memorial Scholarship, each year to graduating students in our catchment area. So, if you know of a student who is attending Central Kings Rural High School, Horton High School or Northeast Kings Education Centre, please ***encourage them to speak to their guidance counsellor for information on how to apply. The deadline for receipt of all pieces of the application package is midnight Sunday May 11, 2025.

*** OVUC Men's Group Fundscrip Program –**

For more information on the program please speak to Cecil White, Bruce Tymchuk, or Ian Godfrey.

Schedule:

May 04 – Orders Arrive

May 11 – Place Orders

May 18 – Orders Arrive

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/UCW4VOpk_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 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.

Community Events

Canta Mara Youth Choirs of the Annapolis Valley -
“Enchanted – Myths, Legends, Fairytales & Folklore”.
Saturday, May 24th 2pm & 7pm performances.
Tickets: available at cantamara.ca (\$25 adults/ \$5 students/
\$15 Livestream)

“Enchanted” will lead audiences on a fantastical journey through beloved myths, legendary tales, whimsical fairy tales, and cherished folklore. Greek Gods, trolls, dragons, and music from beloved classics, including Alice in Wonderland, The Lord of the Rings, plus a sprinkling of magic from the world of Wicked. Talented young performers of all four choirs will share songs that evoke wonder and inspire imagination, drawing from diverse cultures and traditions. This concert will not only showcase the incredible voices but also celebrate a rich tapestry of stories that unite us all.

NA Meetings – Narcotics Anonymous will be holding meetings each week at OVUC: Saturdays at 8pm. For more info, please visit: <https://carna.ca> or 1-902-789-8323