

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, August 10th, 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. Max Martin

Choir Director.....Thea Koenig-Burton

Accompanist..... Carmen Peng

Live Stream Team..... Mary Cormier, Gary Dunfield

Sylvia Jacquard, Grace Oleskevich, Andrea Purvis

Gordon Wray

Tellers..... Gail Gordon

Greeters..... Kelly and Mark Lipton

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, August 10th, 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/dn5EnKzP0zA?feature=share>

**OVUC Offices will be closed this week for vacation
(August 11- 14)**

Regular Admin Office hours are Mon-Thurs, 8am-12noon.

~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~

Rev. Max - office days: Monday – Thursday

Rev. Don is currently on Sabbatical Aug 4th – Nov 3rd

***For all pastoral care concerns, please contact Rev. Max Martin via the
Admin office: 902-681-0366, ext. 1***

Aug 08	Fri	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>OVUC Offices Closed</i>
Aug 09	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NA Meeting (Narcotics Anonymous)
Aug 10	Sun	10am 11am 2pm-5pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service • Covenanter Worship Service – Bev Thompson • Vivian MacPhee’s 100th Birthday Celebration “drop in” at OVUC. All are welcome to attend and share happy birthday wishes!
Aug 11	Mon	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Admin Office closed - vacation</i>
Aug 12	Tues	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Admin Office closed - vacation</i>
Aug 13	Wed	All day 1-3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Admin Office closed - vacation</i> • Centre 130 Laundry/Shower
Aug 14	Thurs	All day 10am 1pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Admin Office closed - vacation</i> • Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social
Aug 15	Fri	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>OVUC Offices Closed</i>
Aug 16	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NA Meeting
Aug 17	Sun	10am 11am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service • Covenanter Worship Service - Rev. Dr. Marjorie Lewis

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

Direct Deposit ETRANSFER EMAIL change:

Please use: treasurer@orchardvalleyunited.ca

Family and friends of Vivian MacPhee are inviting everyone at OVUC to come and join in celebrating Vivian's 100th Birthday!!

This "drop in, drop out" celebration is on Sunday, August 10th from 2pm – 5pm at OVUC in the Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments will be offered. Hoping lots of Vivian's Orchard Valley family will attend to give best wishes on such an important milestone in her life!

On Friday, August 8th at 12noon, OVUC will be celebrating the 2SLGBTQIA+ community by viewing the United Church of Canada's apology livestream in the Sanctuary. Light refreshments will be provided.

Seeking a Church Pianist for Choir Practice and Sunday Service -

Our wonderful pianist, Carmen Peng, has an opportunity to study abroad for the fall semester, so we are seeking a replacement for September to December 2025. Please share this information with anyone who may be interested or know someone who could be!

Orchard Valley United Church in New Minas requires an experienced pianist to accompany the choir and lead service music on Sundays, September through December 2025. Working with the Choir Director, the pianist will choose only prelude, centering, offertory and postlude music. Hymns and choir music are chosen by the minister and choir director. Practice is weekly on Thursdays (7-8:30pm) and Sunday service requires the pianist from 9:15-11am. Please contact the church office at admin@orchardvalleyunitedchurch.ca or 902-681-0366 with expressions of interest.

***Covenanter Summer Series** - Summer services at the Covenanter Church, Grand Pre will begin July 6 at 11am. Services will continue weekly until August 31st with Guest speakers and special music. Everyone is welcome! Covenanter Schedule:

July 06 – *Rev. Dr. Bruce Matthews*
July 13 – *Rev. Don Sellsted (Anniversary Service)*
July 20 – *Rev. Thelma MacDonald*
July 27 – *Rev. Gloria Churchill*
Aug 03 – *Rev. Tim McFarland*
Aug 10 – *Bev Thompson, Candidate for Ministry*
Aug 17 – *Rev. Dr. Marjorie Lewis*
Aug 24 – *Rev. John Wray*
Aug 31 – *Rev. Dr. Rob Hankinson*

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

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

Schedule:

Aug 10 – Orders Arrive
Aug 17 – Place Orders
Aug 24 – 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/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 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

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

Stay Connected with Kings Seniors' Safety! 🧓 🧓

Looking out for our elders means looking out for each other. That's what we do at **Seniors' Safety**—a community-driven program that supports older adults with practical resources, education, and outreach.

💛 Whether it's scam prevention tips, safety sessions, or helping navigate housing or health systems—we're here to make life safer, more informed, and connected for seniors across our county.

📅 **Check out our latest newsletter** for upcoming events. There's something for everyone.

📱 **Follow us on Facebook and Instagram** to stay in the loop and spread the word!

📧 Feel free to **share this with friends, neighbors, community groups—or post it on your local mailboxes** to help us reach those

who may need us most.

Together, we build a safer, stronger community for all generations. 🌀

Trishe Colman, Program Director and Trisha Urquhart, Coordinator

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