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

~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~

(Admin Office closed) Monday, March 30th

Rev. Don's regular office days: Monday - Thursday+

Mar 27	Fri	All day 4pm 6pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVUC Offices closed • Youth and Young Families • Atonement concert viewing
Mar 28	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narcotics Anonymous
Mar 29	Sun	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PALM SUNDAY Worship Service • Sunday School Ages 4 - 15!
Mar 30	Mon	All day 10:30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admin Office closed • Spirit Yoga
Mar 31	Tues	6:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bless, Break, Share Lenten Study
Apr 01	Wed	1pm-3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre 130/Open Arms Resource - OPEN for showers/laundry
Apr 02	Thurs	10am 10am 1pm 5:30pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Bless, Break, Share Lenten Study • NO Games Social today! • MAUNDY THURSDAY & Potluck • Choir Rehearsal

Apr 03	Fri	All day 4pm 7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVUC Offices closed • Youth and Young Families Night • GOOD FRIDAY Service
Apr 04	Sat	9:30am 8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVUC Book Club • Narcotics Anonymous
Apr 05	Sun	7am 10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EASTER SUNRISE Service • EASTER SUNDAY Worship Service • Sunday School – Ages 4 – 15!
Apr 06	Mon	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EASTER MONDAY – Offices Closed

Let's help others by being **scent-free** so everyone *feels free* to attend, work at, or just visit our beautiful Church!!

We thought you may like to have the updated schedule of services and events up to and including Easter Sunday:

Maundy Thursday (April 02) 5:30pm - Soup and rolls, potluck, Passover re-enactment, Foot washing and Communion.

Good Friday Service - (April 03) 7pm - Service with Stations of the Cross

Easter Sunday - (April 05) 7am - Sunrise Worship Service followed by breakfast

Easter Service - (April 05) 10am - Worship Service & Communion

Please note: Announcements that you wish to go in the bulletin are needed no later than Tuesday at 12noon every week. If you miss the deadline, they will be included in the next week's announcements. Thanks!

Women's Friday Morning Breakfast: will be returning to OVUC on Friday, April 10th at 8:30am.

Notice: Congregational Life -- If you borrowed a *deep-dish electric frying pan*, please return it to the kitchen pantry. Also, for anyone who has brought food/helped prepare food in the kitchen at any point, please collect your serving plates & containers that were left here.

The Annual Meeting will be on Sunday, March 29th following Worship Service.

Youth and Young Families Night: Fridays from 4pm – 6pm. Ages 5+

Activities include:

- June musical prep for youth
- Social time for guardians
- Eat & Greet supper time!

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. 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 10, 2026.

April Tea Collective: We will be having a special Tea Collective on Wednesday, April 29th from 10am – noon. **Driving Decisions Panel Presentation** – presented by RCMP, Alzheimer Society, Young Drivers, Registry of Motor Vehicles. **The program is FREE, but registration is required:**

trishcolman@kingsseniorsafety.org

or (902)670-0725 - **Spots are booking up very quickly!**

Gluten Free Cookbook Project! – The Congregational Life Committee is hoping to compile a Gluten Free Cookbook and are looking for your favourite recipes. If you have one (or more!) please send it to Brenda (bparker@techshop.ns.ca) or drop off at the Admin Office before April 30th. Please be sure to include your name so we know who the recipe(s) came from.

Men's Group Fundscrip Orders:

Sunday, March 29 – Orders submitted

Sunday, April 05 – Orders delivered

Sunday, April 12 – Orders submitted

Please contact one of the following men for an order form - Cecil White, Tim Warmington & Ian Godfrey

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”.

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

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.

Tuesday Afternoon Lifelong Learning Cafe -- Valley Community Learning Association's afternoon adult day program geared more for older adults: Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 pm, at VCLA's Community Hub (118 Oakdene Ave, Kentville).

Mar 31: Birding with Howard Williams of Blomidon Naturalists
Contact Andy and/or see poster for more details.