

# Orchard Valley United Church

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## Announcements for Sunday, May 31, 2026

**Welcome** all who worship with us! We're happy to be together. Thank you to the following people for their participation in Worship and in the ongoing work of OVUC:

Worship Leader..... Rev. Don Sellsted  
Minister of Pastoral Care.....Rev. Dr. Linda Marcotte  
Youth and Young Families Group Leader..... Debbie Mailman  
Choir Director.....Thea Koenig-Burton  
Accompanist..... Carmen Peng  
Special Music..... Four Season Brass Quintet  
Scripture Readings..... Dale MacArthur  
Mission and Service..... Cheryl Sellsted  
Live Stream Team..... Mary Cormier, Gary Dunfield  
Sylvia Jacquard, Grace Oleskevich, Andrea Purvis  
Gordon Wray  
Tellers..... Margaret Clarke, Taunya Kinnie-Sheffield  
Greeters.....TBA  
Hospitality..... Gail Gordon, Heather Hennigar  
Penny Johnson, Betty Rockwell

**Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, May 31, 2026** – 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/9Ni9rEgztRo?feature=share>

**Please check out our website for online Worship Services and much more!** [www.orchardvalleyunited.ca](http://www.orchardvalleyunited.ca)

**Admin Office hours: Mon-Thurs, 8am-12noon (902-681-0366 ext. 1)**

**~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~**

**Rev. Don: Monday – Thursday+ (902-681-4088)**

**Rev. Linda: by appointment (450-522-3005)**

<b>May 29</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>All day 8:30am 4pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OVUC Offices closed</li> <li>• Women’s Friday Morning Breakfast</li> <li>• Youth and Young Families Group</li> </ul>
<b>May 30</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>8pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Narcotics Anonymous</li> </ul>
<b>May 31</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>10am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Service &amp; Sunday School</li> <li>• Camino Walk guests – overnight at OVUC</li> </ul>
<b>June 01</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Spirit Yoga</li> <li>• Camino Walk guests – overnight at OVUC</li> </ul>
<b>June 02</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>4pm 6:30pm 7pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Worship Committee</li> <li>• Centre 130 Meeting</li> <li>• Steeple Strummers</li> </ul>
<b>June 03</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>1pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Centre 130</li> </ul>
<b>June 04</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>10am</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group</li> </ul>

		<b>1pm</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Games Social</li> <li>• Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>
		<b>7pm</b>	

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

**Direct Deposit ETRANSFER EMAIL:**

Please use: [treasurer@orchardvalleyunited.ca](mailto:treasurer@orchardvalleyunited.ca)

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

*Thanks!*

**Camino Walk to visit OVUC!** *Please note that the participants of the Camino Walk are going to be guests of the Church from 1pm on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> until approximately noon on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. (They will be utilizing the kitchen, and various spaces and rooms for their overnight accommodations).*

**Outreach Committee:**

We would like to thank Sobey's for permitting us to hold our 20th Canucopia at their store and to Noggins for the loan of a truck. Thanks to everyone who volunteered: giving out flyers, accepting items and money, and sorting and packing the donations into boxes for the three Food Banks.

Thanks as well to the members of the congregation and Sobey's shoppers who gave so generously. Twenty-eight boxes of food and personal care items went to the Fundy Food bank (because it is the one that serves the largest area) and fourteen boxes, each, went to the

Canning and Wolfville Food Banks. The \$820.80 in donations were divided equally between the Food Banks.

**Centre 130** – There will be a Centre 130 meeting on *Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>* at 6:30pm.

**Saturday June 27th 10-2pm, OVUC is having a Multi-Cultural Bazaar:**

We will have a variety of food vendors, retail/craft vendors, games for children, bouncy castle, cake walk, silent/live auctions and yard sale. Fee to attend will be a free will offering in support of the Refugee Resettlement Fund.

***Auction Items:*** We have a number of high-end items for our silent and live auction and are looking for a few more. Do you have anything to offer, like a weekend at a cottage, a sailboat ride, a dinner for 4-6, a delicious cake made to order, hours of yard work etc.? If so, **please contact Dale MacArthur or Thea Burton.**

*Deadline to donate is May 30th.*

***Yard Sale items:*** As well, we will be receiving items for the yard sale the week of June 21st. Any household item in excellent condition is most appreciated. **Please contact Rev. Linda.**

**Orchard Valley Book Club**

Our next meeting is **June 27 at 9:30 a.m.** We have selected “Call the Midwife” by Jennifer Worth.

Call the Midwife tells of the experiences of a young trainee midwife in the East End of London in the 1950's. It is a graphic portrayal of the

quite appalling conditions that the East Enders endured. Contrasting our current lives with this not-so-distant past calls attention to social change and medical advancement. If you have questions or wish a copy of the book, contact Gordon Wray [gordontwray@gmail.com](mailto:gordontwray@gmail.com). There is ample room for more participants so come join us!

**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

**Men's Group Fundscrip Orders:**

Sunday, May 31 – Orders delivered

Sunday, June 07 – Orders submitted

Sunday, June 14 – Orders delivered

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\\_znrA5qevOqCr9Q](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”.

### **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](http://www.al-anonmaritimes.ca) or Al-Anon World Service Office at [al-anon.org](http://al-anon.org).

**Ste. Croix United Church is having its annual Memorial Hymn Sing Sunday on May 31, 2026 at 2 pm.**

We would love you to come and join us for an afternoon of music and fellowship – singing wonderful hymns in honour and celebration of loved ones. As always, we will be holding a reception afterward, providing some light refreshments and time to connect and share memories. For information about how to dedicate a hymn in memory or dedication, **please contact Bev Thompson [bevcyf@gmail.com](mailto:bevcyf@gmail.com) or 902-698-7015**

**SESSION**

**SUNDAY**  
COMMUNITY CONCERT EVENT

**HANTSPORT  
POP-UP CHOIR**  
with Ann Fearon and  
James Crouse

SONGS FOR THE SEA  
A CELEBRATION OF  
WORLD OCEANS DAY

**JUNE 7, 2026 7pm**  
**17 Prince Street, Hantsport**  
Free will offering at the door.

INFORMATION DISPLAYS ON BEST PRACTICES FOR  
MAINTAINING HEALTHY OCEANS AND WATERWAYS WILL  
BE AVAILABLE IN THE COMMUNITY HALL AFTERWARDS.

Avon  
United

Hantsport Community Concert Event!

(June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm)