

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, July 5th, 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
Choir Director.....Thea Koenig-Burton
Accompanist..... Carmen Peng
Special Music..... Ari Snyder
Scripture Readings..... Sheila Francis
Mission and Service Story..... Cheryl Sellsted
Live Stream Team..... Mary Cormier, Gary Dunfield
Sylvia Jacquard, Grace Oleskevich, Andrea Purvis
Gordon Wray
Tellers.....Brenda Crozsmann, Helen Gill

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, July 5th, 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/LW1NuGuKS2k?feature=share>

Please check out our website for online Worship Services and much more! www.orchardvalleyunited.ca

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

Please note: Admin office will be closed for vacation from Monday, July 6th and open as usual on Monday, July 13th.

~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~

Rev. Don: Mon-Thurs

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

July 03	Fri	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVUC Offices closed
July 04	Sat	8pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narcotics Anonymous
July 05	Sun	10am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service
July 06	Mon	All week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Admin office closed – Vacation
July 07	Tues	7pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Profile Team Meeting
July 08	Wed	1-3pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Centre 130
July 09	Thurs	10am 1pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social
July 10	Fri	All day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVUC Offices closed

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

Direct Deposit ETRANSFER EMAIL:

Please use: 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!

Attention OVUC folks: Throughout July and August, all staff offices (Admin included) will be thoroughly cleaned and painted by our Custodian.

We respectfully ask that no one outside of staff utilize these offices during this time. Please feel free to use the desk/table in the Family/Board rooms.

Rev. Don's last Worship Service with us at Orchard Valley United Church is on July 19th. All are welcome and encouraged to attend to wish Don and Cheryl well in the next part of their journey.

Rev. Don will be working with the broader United Church "Toward 2035" as Atlantic Canada's Vocational Minister. The Office of Vocation is the national body responsible for the accreditation, training, and ongoing oversight of ministry personnel. It manages the Candidacy Pathway and ensures standards for ministry practice. We know the Church will be well served by Rev. Don in this role and are happy that he and Cheryl will be staying in the Annapolis Valley!

The updated OVUC 2026 Church Directory is now available!

If you would like a *paper copy* of the Directory, please drop in during regular Office hours (8am - 12pm ; Mon-Thurs) or pick one up at the Church during Sunday morning Worship time. **Cost: \$5** (to cover printing costs).

Reusable Grocery Bags Needed: Orchard Valley participates in the WAICC School Break Food program which provides kid-friendly food to Wolfville-area food-bank families for the winter, March, and summer breaks. At this time, ***we are in need of sturdy/clean reusable grocery bags*** in which to pack the food for the upcoming Summer Break. Please put bag donations in the food bank cart up until Sunday, Aug. 30th. Thank you!

Celebrating the Graduates in Our Lives: Anyone who would like to recognize a graduate (high school and above) as part of the powerpoint sharing the names of the recipients of the Orchard Valley Scholarships on **Sunday, July 5th** should email the following information to Sylvia Jacquard sylviajacquard@gmail.com by **Sat. July 4th**.

Please include: Their name, your name and their connection to you.
Ex. Susie Smith, granddaughter of Robert and Marsha Miller

Where they graduated from and their plans for the fall. *Ex. Graduated from Horton High, Attending Acadia University to pursue a Bachelor of Arts majoring in English.*

If a photo, graduation or other, is sent to Sylvia any time before the deadline, it will be included as well.

Men's Group Fundscrip Orders:

Sunday, July 05 – Orders submitted

Sunday, July 12 – Orders delivered

Sunday, July 19 – 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_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 or Al-Anon World Service Office at al-anon.org.

Old Time Gospel Hymn Sing-Along!

All are welcome to attend *our "Old Time Gospel Hymn Sing-along"* on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:45PM at Wickwire Place Retirement Living Residence, 30 Wickwire Av., Wolfville. These are hymns you haven't sung since Sunday School and Church as a kid - but you know them all.

Pianist and leader is Nancy Denton-Pike. Singing starts at 7PM and ends at 8PM. Coffee, tea and treats are served.

This Sing-along happens on the third Wednesday of every month. If you have questions, please contact Scott Sweatman at 902-697-2212.

Cookies for the Cookie Cottage at Berwick UCC:

Owen and Family will be managing and staying at the cookie cottage this year at Berwick United Church Camp! They have been asked by the United Church Women to seek home-baked cookie donations from our congregation!

Each year, thousands of cookies are baked across NS to be eaten at Berwick Church Camp. **Please bake as many cookies as you can (no nuts, please) and drop them off at the Church on July 22nd and 23rd.** You can freeze them and put your name on the container. We will be transporting them to Berwick.

Your donations will help fill people with joy at camp this year!

For questions or more information, please contact:

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