

Orchard Valley United Church

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Announcements for Sunday, July 19th, 2026 10am Worship Service

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.....Nancy Handrigan, Wayne McDonald
Dave Murphy, Ari Snyder
Scripture Readings..... Gordon Wray
Live Stream Team..... Mary Cormier, Gary Dunfield
Sylvia Jacquard, Grace Oleskevich, Andrea Purvis
Gordon Wray
Greeters..... Kelly and Mark Lipton
Tellers.....Margaret Clarke, Andrea Purvis

***Many thanks to all those who contributed to Worship
Service at OVUC today!***

Live-Streamed Worship on Sunday, July 19th, 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/wUFqhe2P XK8?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)

~All Church offices are closed on Fridays~

Rev. Don: Mon-Thurs of this week

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

July 15	Wed	All day 1-3pm	• Admin Office closed today (open Thurs) • Centre 130
July 16	Thurs	10am 1pm	• Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social
July 17	Fri	All day	• OVUC Offices closed
July 18	Sat	8pm	• Narcotics Anonymous
July 19	Sun	10am	• Worship Service – Rev. Don’s “Farewell Service” at OVUC • No Covenanter Worship Service for this week only
July 22	Wed	1-3pm	• Centre 130
July 23	Thurs	10am 1pm	• Hope New Minas Al-Anon Family Group • Games Social
July 24	Fri	All day	• 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!

Covenanter Church Summer Series Services – 2026

Worship Services – 11am

July 19 – no service

July 26 – Rev. Robert Chapman

August 02 – Rev. Dr. Ross Bartlett

August 09 – Rev. Robyn Brown-Hewitt

August 16 – Bev Thompson – Candidate for Ministry

August 23 – Rev. Thelma MacDonald

August 30 – Rev. Rob Hankinson

Attention OVUC folks: Message from our OVUC Property Committee: 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 utilizes these offices during this time. Please feel free to use the desk/table in the

Family/Board rooms (check with Admin prior to using in case they are booked already). Thanks!

Rev. Don's last Worship Service with us at Orchard Valley United Church is this Sunday, July 19th at 10am. 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!

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:
pollyleonard@gmail.com

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!

Men's Group Fundscrip Orders:

Sunday, July 19 – Orders submitted

Sunday, July 26 – Orders delivered

Sunday, Aug 02 – 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.