

FORT MASSEY CHURCH

~ where life and faith meet ~

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada

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FORT MASSEY AT WORSHIP

10:30 am, 20th March 2011

Lent Two

* indicates standing for those who are able.

PRELUDE Triptyque (No. 1, Matines) Louis Vierne

***ENTRY INTO CELEBRATION** *The gong is sounded three times.*

***LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CANDLE**

***OPENING HYMN** I Feel the Winds of God VU 625

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *Back Cover*

***OPENING PRAYER** *Back Cover*

A SONG OF CREATION "Aah! Creation is Good" – Ruth McArthur

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Sharon Ross

OFFERING O For the Wings of a Dove Felix Mendelssohn
Kevin Roberts, flute; Leah Collins Lipsett, piano

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** VU 543

*We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God, from thee. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH THEIR MINISTERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***PSALTER** Make a Joyful Noise VU 820

SILENCE ~ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – Elliott Prouty

SUNG RESPONSE Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, v. 4 VU 375

READINGS

ANTHEM Take My Yoke Upon You Words by J. Paul Williams
Music by Douglas Nolan

CONTEMPORARY WORD – Rev. Trent

***LITANY FOR LENT**

*Sustainer and giver of life, may all people be freed from the temptations of power,
from the urge to control rather than enable.*

Come, Spirit, liberate us from the forces of domination.

*Loving Empowerer, may we challenge the abuse of authority
wherever it is to be found, including in ourselves.*

Come, Spirit, give us strength not to walk by on the other side.

*Still Small Voice, may we learn to listen to each other, and may those in authority
understand the strength that comes from true consultation.*

Come, Spirit of Understanding, deepen our insights.

*Loving Creativity, may we affirm ourselves and others, understanding that we are
all unique, and have voices that need to be heard.*

Come, Creator of Diversity, and help us see the value of difference.

Silence

*Inclusive and Compassionate God, may we recognize and challenge discrimination
based on gender, race, age, sexual orientation,
clericalism and other excuses for exclusion.*

***Come, Spirit of Equality, and imbue us with the values of inter-connectedness
with all created nature, human and non-human.***

***THE PEACE** *The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.*

***CLOSING HYMN** Throughout These Lenten Days... VU 108

***WORDS OF MISSION**

*Time has now come for us to leave this sacred place. As we do,
may we embrace the challenge of our lives and our world...*

The community candle is extinguished

Worship need not cease.

***It can echo in our lives, in our words, in our deeds, in our moods,
in our dreams.***

Carry worship with you wherever you may go.

May it be a blessing in our going out and our coming in.

***BLESSING WORDS**

POSTLUDE Andante Religioso (from Organ Sonata No. 4)
Felix Mendelssohn

FORT MASSEY AT WORK

Welcome to Fort Massey Church! Visitors are welcome to sign our Guest Book. **Coffee & Conversation** will follow our Service in the lower hall where your hosts will be *Tara MacDougall, with Nicole and Victoria.*

In-from-the-cold Shelter items (listed outside minister's office) can be dropped off in the box outside the minister's office. Thank you!

Theatre Classes for children & youth @ Fort Massey with *Sherry Lee Hunter*, 423-9954 sheeye@hotmail.com . Saturdays, 10 – 11:30 am, March 29 – May 17 (8 weeks), Ages 10 -12, \$200; Tuesdays, 5 – 6 pm, March 26 – May 21, Ages 13-16 , Class fee: \$160.

Triennial Visit. April 12, 2011. An opportunity to discuss the life and work, the strengths and concerns and vision of our Pastoral Charge with representatives of the Halifax Presbytery Oversight Committee. All Board/Kirk Session members and congregation are invited to meet in the Lower Hall at 7:30 pm.

Lenten Fish Chowder lunches at *The Presbyterian Church of Saint David*. For \$10. Entrance for the church hall is at 1537 Brunswick Street beside the Spring Garden Road library. Mar 9 - Apr 20 from 12 - 1:15 pm. Also take-out orders.

The Halifax Camerata Singers, Artistic Director *Jeff Joudrey*, will perform music from northern Europe at two concerts this month — March 26, 7:30 pm, St. Patrick's Church, 2267 Brunswick Street, Halifax, with a repeat performance March 27 at 3 pm at Acadia University's Manning Memorial Chapel, Wolfville. Tickets – \$20 adult, \$10 student – can be purchased at the door or on-line.

Our newsletter will come out April 10. Please have your articles in to the church office by April 1st or to our editor, Holly MacIntosh, by April 4th, at <dundee@seasidehighspeed.com>.

Shadow Soul: End of Life Issues with Pets. A workshop presented by AST Student Minister, Ruth McArthur, Sat, Apr 16, 9:30-11:30 am, registration and Continental Breakfast at 9 am, Fort Massey Church Lower Hall. Bring your photos and stories. Brochures are located on the Welcome Table in the Tobin Street lobby.

Lenten Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces, Halifax Edition. Thursdays in Lent. Mar 10 – St. George's Greek Orthodox, Mar 17 – St. Mary's RC Basilica, Mar 24 – First Baptist, Mar 31 – All Saints Anglican Cathedral, Apr 7 – St. Benedict's RC (*Halifax's newest church!*). We meet at Fort Massey at 10, and arrive at our destination at 10:30 am. Note that our last stop will be St. David's Presbyterian on a ***Wednesday***, Apr 13, so that we can remain for their famous Lenten chowder lunch. All are welcome to join us!

FORT MASSEY ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK, MARCH 20-27, 2011:

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| Today | 3-4 pm | Lower Hall | Choi Kwang Do |
| Mon | 11-1 | Church Hall | South End Playgroup |
| Tue | 9:30-11:30 | Church Hall | Japanese Playgroup |
| Tue | 10 am | Sharon Ross' | Women's Coffee Group |
| Tue | 6 pm | Gym | Men's Basketball |
| Wed | 7:30 pm | Sanctuary | Choir Practice |
| Thu | 10:30 am | First Baptist | Lenten Pilgrimage: |
| | Meet 10 am @ FMC | Oxford near South | Stop # 3 |
| Thu | 11-1 | Lower Hall | Weight Watchers |
| Thu | 6 pm | Gym | Men's Floor hockey |
| Fri | 9:30 Apr 1 | Cousins Restaurant | Next Men's Breakfast |
| Fri | 6-7 pm | Lower Hall | Choi Kwang Do |
| Sun | 10:30 am | Sanctuary | Lent III Worship |
| Sun | 10:45 am | Lower Hall & Nursery | Church School & Nursery |
| Sun | 11:30 am | Lower Hall | Coffee & Conversation |

COMING UP...

AST's Convocation, Saturday, April 30, at 11:00 a.m. in Saint Benedict Catholic Church, 45 Radcliffe Drive, Halifax. All are welcome.

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OUR STAFF & LEADERS

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Minister
Ruth McArthur, Student Minister
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Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator
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Pierre Perron, Music Director
John Walter, Assistant Organist
Kevin Robarts, Flutist
Leah Collins Lipsett, Accompanist
Angela Findlay, Nursery
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