

At the Kirk...

Today 2013 *Canadian Church Calendars* are for sale - \$10 (UCW fundraiser)

Bring your favourite stuffed toy to the manger

Fri	9:30 am	<u>Jan 4</u>	Cousin's Restaurant	No Church School
Sun	10 am	<u>Jan 6</u>	Minister's Study	Next Men's Breakfast
Sun	10:30 am	<u>Jan 6</u>	Sanctuary	Kirk Session
				New Year's Communion
				Epiphany

Bring a small baby gift for the IWK-Grace

Tue	10 am	<u>Jan 8</u>	Isabel Robertson's	Next Women's Coffee Gp.
Thu	10:30 am	<u>Jan 10</u>	Berkeley	Next Spirit Connectors

Happy New Year!

Leadership in our Community

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Pastor
Robert Bossler, Student Minister
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator
Sancia Knorr, Church School
Alison McDonald, Clerk of Session
Alasdair Sinclair, OFM, Clerk Emeritus
Alan G. Hayman, OFM, Senior Trustee
Irene Parks, UCW President
Colleen Estabrooks, M&S Enthusiast
Linda Dean, Nominating Chair

TBA, Interim Organist & Choir Director
John Walter, Assistant Organist
Kevin Robarts, Flutist
Leah Collins Lipsett, Pianist & Jr. Choir Director
Elaine Janson, Nursery
John Gillis, Board Chair
Ruth MacKenzie, Chief Steward
Leslie Pezzack, Treasurer
Ian MacDonald & Elliott Prouty, Presbytery Reps
H. Douglas Ritcey, OFM, Honorary Elder
Elliott Prouty, Head Usher

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FORT MASSEY CHURCH

*A Congregation of The United Church of Canada
'A city upon a hill' ~ watching over Halifax since 1871*



The Sunday Gathering

10:30 a.m., 30th December 2012

CHRISTMAS ONE

ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

GATHERING MUSIC

SOUNDING OF THE BELL

LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CANDLE

MUSICAL REFLECTION Christ Child Lullaby Arr. Sunita Staneslow

OPENING SENTENCES

*God of our yesterdays and God of our tomorrows
we ask that you be with us now,
God of our today.*

May it be so.

*God of vision and new possibilities
open our hearts and minds
to the reality of your presence.*

May it be so.

ACT OF AWARENESS

*OPENING CAROL "Once in Royal David's City" VU 62

*THE PEACE *Peace be with you. And also with you.*

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION – *Mary McDonald*

OFFERTORY CAROL "All Poor Ones and Humble" VU 68
Standing as the offering is brought forward, v. 2

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Claire Gwenyth Kew, b. October 16, 2012, in Ottawa, to Mark and Hayley Kew
Grandparents - Gwen Smith Dockrill, Mike Kew & Elaine Kew
Great Grandparents - Vera Smith, Mary and Cyril Dockrill, & Patricia Kew-Ahern
Godparents - Sean and Melissa Kew

Quinn Maureen Kew, b. March 28, 2012, in Ottawa, to Sean and Melissa Kew
Grandparents - Rhonda and Paul MacDonald, Mike Kew & Elaine Kew
Great Grandparents - Louise and Cecil Small & Patricia Kew-Ahern
Godparents - Mark and Hayley Kew

*CAROL "What Child Is This" VU 74

READING I Corinthians 12:4-13

MUSICAL REFLECTION Wexford Carol Arr. V Bellamy

CONTEMPORARY WORD

Images of a Year – Rev. Trent

MUSICAL REFLECTION

I Wonder as I Wander John Jacob Niles
based on an arrangement by David Nevue

A PRAYER LITANY FOR THE PAST YEAR

PRAYER OF JESUS

***CLOSING CAROL**

"See Amid the Winter's Snow"

VU 76

***BLESSING WORDS**

MUSIC FOR GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

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Welcome to Fort Massey. A very special welcome to those visiting from away, and to the Kew families. We strive to be a **scent free** and **nut free** space. **Visitors** are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card. Join us for a **Coffee & Conversation** after the Service in the lower hall. Your hosts today are members of the *Dockrill* and *Kew* families.

Our appreciation to *Hugh Creighton* (organ), *Valerie Bellamy* (harp), and *Kevin Roberts* (flute) for their ministry of music today.

2013 Offering Envelopes are available in the Tobin St. lobby. Please contact the Church Office or *Ruth MacKenzie* if you'd like envelopes or PAR.

The Annual UCW Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 13, after the Service in the Church parlour. Brown bag lunch. The **budget** and plans for 2013 will be discussed at this time. All women welcome!

A Minute for Local Mission from the Outreach Committee of Fort Massey. With the cold days and nights closing in on us, many on the streets are experiencing the bitterness of winter's reality. The committee is looking at our latest project, "Cozy Hands", which will truly enhance our already active involvement with the less fortunate in our city - projects such as the Out of the Cold Shelter and the Brunswick Street Mission. However, we need your help in making the project come to life. In January we will be making mittens from recycled wool sweaters and ask that you check your closets, your neighbours closets, drawers or other storage spots to see if you can give up your 100% wool sweaters for our outreach endeavour. We will also be looking for volunteers to meet weekly to cut out and/or sew these treasures. A presentation will be made to the congregation in early January when we launch this special event. All sweaters can be brought to the church and given to an Outreach Committee Member. As usual, thank you so much for helping us out.