

FORT MASSEY CHURCH

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada

*'A city upon a hill' ~ watching over Halifax since 1871
~ where tradition meets expansive Christianity ~*

The Sunday Gathering

10:30 a.m., 9th December 2012

ADVENT II ~ 141st ANNIVERSARY

ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

GATHERING MUSIC	Advent Hymns played on the Fort Massey Chimes
SOUNDING OF THE BELL	
LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CANDLE	
*PROCESSIONAL	O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs.1-3 VU 1
*CALL TO GATHER	
*ADVENT SONG	Peace Is a Ribbon, v. 2 VU 7
*LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE II - PEACE	(Bulletin Back Cover) Grandparents, Alan & Joanne Hayman
*CANDLE-LIGHTING SONG	A Candle Is Burning, v. 2 VU 6
*THE PEACE	Peace be with you. And also with you.
WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY	
PRESENTATION	The William S. Fong Volunteer Award 2012 Recipient - Dr. Ruth MacKenzie Peter Coulthard, Nominating Committee
OFFERINGS	
Offertory:	Of the Father's Love Begotten (Divinum Mysterium) arr. Margrethe Hokanson
* Response:	All Poor Ones and Humble, v. 1 VU 68

CHILDREN'S TIME *Robert Bossler*

PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

*CHILDREN'S SONG Put Peace into Each Other's Hands MV 173
(Hands Shaped Like a Cradle)

Children leave for Church School

DEDICATION

**Memorial Wall Plaque and
United Church of Canada Crest Banner
In Memory of William S. "Bill" Fong
and Jennifer Julia Fong**
Donated by the Family: Mrs. Brenda Fong
Drs. Peter & Lise Fong, Bruce & Melissa
Mr. Frank Turner, Jamie & Luke

Response: "We dedicate these memorial gifts to the glory of God."

SOLO Beulah Land words by Edgar Page Stites
music by Jno.R.Sweeney
H. Douglas Ritcey, bass

INTRODUCTION *Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk Emeritus*

READINGS FROM THE BIBLE I Kings 8:6-14 RSV
John 1:10-14
Judith A. Norton, DLM

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Panis Angelicus César Franck
Valerie Bellamy, soprano
Susan Walter, violin
John Walter, organ

SERMON "Built of Hopes and Dreams and Visions"
The Rev. Ivan L. Norton

*CLOSING SONG Let Us Build A House omit v.3 MV 1

*BLESSING WORDS

MUSIC FOR GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

Wachet auf, ruft uns die stimme
Chorale melody arr. Johann Gottfried Walther

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Welcome to Fort Massey on this our 141st Anniversary Sunday with the *Rev'd. Ivan & Judy Norton*, 1984-93. We strive to be a **scnt free** and **nut free** space. **Visitors** are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card. Join us for a soup/chowder and sandwich **lunch** after the Service in the lower hall.

The Notices, Fort Massey Church, Halifax, Dec 9, 2012

In Appreciation. We are grateful to the following, who have made memorial gifts to Fort Massey this month – *Nancy E. Riggs*, Chancel Liturgical Ware; and to the *Fong & Turner* families for the United Church Crest Banner.

A special word of thanks to *Ruth MacKenzie, Richard Robinson, David Robinson, Tim & Linda Dean* who helped prepare for today's dedications.

Your Car on Tobin St. If you are parked next to the church on Tobin St., please move it after the service so that the CBC Recording Truck can park to set up for tonight's performance. Your co-operation is appreciated. Thank you.

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.

Daily Devotional, *These Days*, is available in the Tobin St. lobby. \$4 can be placed in an envelope found in your pew.

Newsletter deadline for The Star is Tuesday, Dec 11. Please have your articles in to the Church Office by noon.

Yule logs. The minister is looking for Yule logs for the Service on Dec 16.

Mission to Seafarers. We're looking to collect 50 bags/shoe-boxes this year – Toiletry items, winter scarves/mittens/gloves/socks, candy, etc.

Christmas Stockings. This month our *Out-of-the-cold Shelter Cooking/Baking group* will be putting together Christmas Stockings for those living on the street. We need 20 pairs of new socks, 20 oranges, a large box of Ganong chocolates, 20 candy canes, and 20 gingerbread people. We'll need them by 7 pm on Tues, Dec 18th.

Evening Carol Service will be held at the Presbyterian Church of Saint David Mon, Dec 17, 7 pm, featuring the St. David's Church Choir under the direction of *Tristan Cleveland-Thompson*.

Coming up @ the fort:

Dec 9, 7:30 PM, **Concert with *The Modern Grass*** and special guest **Jennah Barry**. Tickets \$15 at the Cohn BO, or \$20 at the door.

Dec 12, 8 PM, **Concert of 100 Candles** with *Sanctuary Trio - Jeff Reilly*, bass clarinet; *Peter Togni*, organ; *Christoph Both*, Cello - special contemplative arrangements of Christmas Carols plus their own compositions created for this annual concert. \$15/10

Dec 15, 9:30 am, **Sanctuary Decorating** – Coffee's on!

Dec 16, 10:30 am, **An Acadian Christmas "Buche de Noel"** with *Les Voix d'Acadie*

Dc 23, 10:30 am, **White Gift Sunday** with the Church School

Dec 24, 7 pm, **Christmas Eve** with *Erin Lesser*, flute & *Greg Beyer*, percussion

Dec 30, 10:30 am, **Christmas One** "On the 6th Day of Christmas there were two Baptisms"

At the Kirk...

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

Today 1:45 pm - 3 pm Lower Hall

Today 3-4 pm Lower Hall

Tonight 7:30 pm Sanctuary

Mon 11-1 Church Hall

Mon 3-4:30 pm Lower Hall

Tue 10 am Kathy Evans'

Tue 2 pm Joe Howe Manor

Tue 6 pm Gym

Tue 7 pm Lower Hall

Tue 7:30 - 10 pm Sanctuary

Wed 10-11:30 am Church Hall

Wed 3-4:30 pm Lower Hall

Wed 7:30-8:45 pm Lower Hall

Wed 8 pm Sanctuary

Thu 10:30 am Berkeley

followed at 12 noon with our Christmas Lunch

Thu 11am -1pm Lower Hall

Thu 6 pm Gym

Thu 7:30 pm Sanctuary

Fri 9:30 am Jan 4 Cousin's Restaurant

Fri 10-11:30 pm Lower Hall

Fri 6-7 pm Lower Hall

Sat 10 am Sanctuary

Sun 10:30 am Sanctuary

An Acadian Christmas "Buche de Noel" with Les Voix d'Acadie

Sun 10:30 am Church Hall

Sun 11:30 am Lower Hall

Argentine Tango – Intro

Choi Kwang Do

Concert - Modern Grass

South End Playgroup

Acupuncture Class

Women's Coffee Group

Song Service & Fellowship

Men's Basketball

YOGA with Jenny

Concert Rehearsal

Japanese Playgroup

Acupuncture Class

Argentine Tango – Musicality

Concert - Sanctuary Trio

Spirit Connectors

Weight Watchers

Men's Floor Hockey

Choir Practice

Next Men's Breakfast

Acupuncture Class

Choi Kwang Do

Sanctuary decorating

The Sunday Gathering

Church School & Nursery

Lunch

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

Pierre Perron, Organist & Sr. 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

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