

### *At the Kirk...*

Mon	11-1	Church Hall	South End Playgroup
Mon	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
<b>Tue</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Carol Sinclair's</b>	<b>Women's Coffee Group</b>
Tue	10 am-12noon	Lower Hall	Home School Group
Tue	6 pm	Gym	Men's Basketball
<b>Tue</b>	<b>7 pm</b>	<b>Lower Hall</b>	<b>YOGA</b> with Jenny MacDougall
Wed	9:30-11:30 am	Lower Hall	Breastfeeding Support
	(1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month) in partnership with Public Health		
Wed	10-11:30 am	Church Hall	Japanese Playgroup
Wed	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
<b>Thu</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>The Berkeley</b>	<b>Spirit Connectors</b>
Thu	11am -1pm	Lower Hall	Weight Watchers
Thu	6 pm	Gym	Men's Floor Hockey
<b>Thu</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>9:30 am, Feb 3</b>	<b>Cousin's Restaurant</b>	<b>Next Men's Breakfast</b>
Fri	10-11:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Fri	6-7 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Fri	7-8 pm	Gym	Dal Student Taekwondo Society
<b>Sat</b>	<b>6 pm</b>	<b>TBA</b>	<b>Chinese New Year Supper</b>
	<i>Sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby</i>		
<b>Sun</b>	<b>9:45 am</b>	<b>Minister's Study</b>	<b>Nominating Committee</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Church Hall</b>	<b>Church School &amp; Nursery</b>
Sun	2-3 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Sun	3-4 pm	Gym	Dal Student Taekwondo Society

### Community activities coming up...

Potluck Lunch & Oval Skating, Feb 5, 12 noon (weather permitting)  
 Valentine Tea, Feb 11, 2-4 pm  
 Annual Meeting Potluck, Feb 19, 12:30 pm  
 Halifax Rainmen vs Moncton Miracles Basketball Game, March 1, 7 pm

### *Leadership in our Community*

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Minister	Pierre Perron, Music Director
Robert Bossler, Student Minister	John Walter, Assistant Organist
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons	Kevin Robarts, Flutist
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator	Leah Collins Lipsett, Accompanist
Sancia Knorr, SS Co-ordinator	Elaine Janson, Nursery
Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk of Session	Kevork Peltekian, Board Chair
Alan G. Hayman, Senior Trustee	Leslie Pezzack, Treasurer
Irene Parks, UCW President	Ian MacDonald & Elliott Prouty, Presbytery Reps
Colleen Estabrooks, M&S Enthusiast	H. Douglas Ritcey, Honorary Elder
Linda Dean, Nominating Chair	Elliott Prouty, Head Usher

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# FORT MASSEY CHURCH

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada

~ Watching over Halifax harbour since 1871 ~



“We will all be changed by the Victory of our Lord Jesus Christ” (cf. 1 Cor 15:51-58)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity  
 January 15 - 22, 2012

# The Gathering @ 10:30 a.m., 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2012

## Third Sunday after Epiphany

### ORDER of SERVICE

*\* Please stand in body or spirit.*

**PRELUDE** Hymns on the Fort Massey Chimes

**\*ENTRY INTO THE CELEBRATION** *The bell is rung 3X in the name of the Holy Trinity; and the community candle is lit symbolizing the warmth and light we share in Christ.*

**\*PROCESSIONAL** Let Us Build a House (*omit v. 3*) MV 1

#### \*OPENING SENTENCES

*Pecking away at our computers, idling in a knot of traffic:  
we wait for you, God of all words, to speak to us.  
Pacing the halls of a hospital, sitting outside the principal's office:  
we wait for you, God of comfort, to fill us with hope.  
In the silence of each night, beginning each day's new journey:  
we wait for you, Steadfast Love, for you are our safe place.*

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**\*PRAYER OF JESUS** The Lord's Prayer VU 921

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

#### WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** - Linda MacDonald

**OFFERING** Offertory : Récit (from 4th Suite) Louis Marchand (1669-1732)

**\*** Response: (VU81,v.3) *As they offered gifts most rare at that manger crude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to you, our heavenly King.*

#### CHILDREN'S TIME WITH THEIR MINISTER

**CHILDREN'S SONG** Children, Go Where I Send You Spiritual

#### SILENCE

**ANTHEM** Quem Pastores (Shepherds Left Their Flocks A-Straying) German, 14th Century, English words by Imogen Holst

**READINGS** "What on Earth Have I Done" by Robert Fulghum  
Gospel of St. Mark 4:12-20 (RNEB)

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** Take Time to be Holy VU 672

**CONTEMPORARY WORD** Taking Just A Moment - Rev. Trent

#### \*LITANY

*Come to us, Creating God, as the One who walks the way of ordinary people.*

***Come to us, as the One who weeps over the city.***

*Come to us, as the One who deeply understands the paradox of life which rises from death.*

***Come to us, in a language of grace that we may approach you in vulnerable hope.***

*Give us new life if the old has been destroyed in us.*

***Give us openness if we have closed our hearts to your future.***

*Give us courage, if we tread this land in fear of bringing our gifts.*

***Give us wisdom, when we forget to listen to the learnings of our history.***

*Give us joy when we see the breadth of your imagination expressed in the differences between us.*

***Differences of race and culture, differences of history and journey, differences in our experience of you.***

*Bind us together as those who feel your love under our feet in the warmth of this, our holy ground.*

***Dance within our life, O Spirit of God, that we may be transformed by your eternal passion for making all things new.***

**\*CLOSING HYMN** The Church's One Foundation VU 331

#### \*BLESSING WORDS

**POSTLUDE** Grand Plein Jeu (1st Suite) Louis Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)

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**Welcome** to Fort Massey by-the-sea. **Visitors** are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a **Welcome Card** at the left of the main doors upon exiting the nave, leaving it with the guest book. Children are welcome to remain with their guardians or join their peers in either the Church School or Nursery.

**Coffee & Conversation:** All are welcome to join us in the lower hall after the Service where our hosts today are members of the *MacDougall family*.

## ***Fort Massey United Church, January 22, 2012***

***~ where life and faith meet ~***

**Hosts** for Coffee & Conversation are needed for the remainder of the season. You may sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby. We provide everything but the milk.

“**Thank you** to Richard Robinson who cleaned up after C&C last Sunday while I was at the annual meeting of the UCW.” – *Irene Parks*

**2011 Receipts** are available today in the Tobin St. lobby. We can save in postage if you make the effort and pick up your receipt today. Thank you.

**2012 Offering Envelopes** can be found in the Queen St. lobby. Please contact our Steward, Ruth MacKenzie, for 2012 offering envelopes or PAR (pre-authorized remittance). Her telephone number is 477-5365.

**Daily Devotional Book**, *These Days*, is available. Sample copies are located on the Welcome Table for viewing. Sign-up on the easel board to order, \$3 & \$4 (large print).

**Scholarship Fund** for a child at the Ratlam Christian School in India is and on-going fund raiser by our Sunday Church School. Place your loonie/twonie change in the glass teddy bear jar near the chancel area. Thank you for your support.

**Out of the Cold Shelter items most needed:** Grocery Store gift cards, Plastic pillow covers, Gloves and Mitts, Men's Long Underwear, Men's Boots, Rain Gear - Rain jackets/pants/ponchos, Gift Cards - Tim Horton's, McDonald's, Subway (stores open 24hrs), Laundry Detergent (large bottles), Household compost bin liners.

**Chairs of all Committees:** Please submit requests for any new members on your respective committee to Linda Dean, Chair of Nominating, by Jan 29<sup>th</sup>. Contact <linda.dean@ns.sympatico.ca> or 423-9725.

**Chinese New Year Celebration** for our church members will be held on Sat, Jan 28, at 6 pm. If we have sufficient interest it will be held in the church hall; or it will be at Mr. Chang's (new owner now). Please sign-up on the easel in the Tobin St. lobby if you're interested. Cost to be determined on numbers.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** ends today, Jan 22. Halifax churches will gather on **Jan 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** at the Presbyterian Church of Saint

David (1544 Grafton Street). Guest Preacher: The Rev'd. *Rhonda Britton* of Cornwallis St. Baptist Church.

**Annual Reports** are due in the office (hard copy or electronically) January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**40 Years: An Achievement to Celebrate**, Ecumenical Worship Service in honour of AST's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Feb 10, 7:30 pm, Cathedral Church of All Saints, 1330 Martello Street, Halifax. Choral Music - The King's College Chapel Choir, Paul Halley-director. The AST story to be narrated by Adrian Hoffman, former CBC Radio host/producer.

**The King's Chorus** "Works of Glory", Sat, Jan 28, 7.30 pm, First Baptist Church, Halifax. Under the direction of Nick Halley, the choir will sing Mozart's *Missa Brevis* in b flat, Parry's "I was Glad," and the *Eya Mater* of Halifax's own Paul Halley. David Greenberg, violin and Paul Halley, organ. Tickets \$15, \$10 student, \$25 priority, \$50 patron.

**Observer Renewal.** Your \$20 subscription is due. Please let Irene Parks know by Jan 31 if you do not wish to renew, if you'd like to be a new subscriber. Place your \$20 in your offering envelope or an envelope with your name and address, marking it OBSERVER.

**Valentine Tea** will be Sat. Feb 11, 2-4 pm, Fort Massey Church Lower Hall. Bake Table. Musical Entertainment. Free will offering for local charities. Sign-up sheets for sandwiches, cookies and squares on the easel board in the Tobin St. lobby.

**FMC Annual Meeting** will be held Sunday, Feb 19/12, at 11:30 am in the Lower Hall. Pot-luck lunch. You provide the main course, we'll provide dessert.

**Attention Youth.** Intermediates at Conference (grades 7-9) and Youth Forum (grade 10 to age 19) will gather during Maritime Conference at MT "A", Sackville, NB, May 31 - June 3, 2012. Please speak to the minister ASAP if you know of any youth interested. Check out these websites for more info <www.marconf.ca> or <www.youthforum.ca>

**Summer Employment:** Do you know a youth who might be interested? Arthur Kidston Memorial Camp. Applications due Jan16/12. Further information and the application form are online [http://www.campkidston.com/jobs\\_volunteers.htm](http://www.campkidston.com/jobs_volunteers.htm).

**Camp Kidston Roof Appeal.** For every dollar you donate, an anonymous donor will match! Donations can be made quickly and easily through Camp Kidston's new website, [www.CampKidston.com](http://www.CampKidston.com), by clicking the "Donate Now" icon.