

# Fort Massey Church

## ***'A city upon a hill'***

Watching over Halifax Harbour since 1871  
A Congregation of The United Church of Canada



## LENT II

24<sup>th</sup> February 2013

The Sunday Gathering @ 10:30 a.m.

### ORDER *of* SERVICE

\* indicates standing for those who are able

#### THE FORT MASSEY CHIMES

#### PRELUDE

\*PROCESSIONAL                      Forty Days and Forty Nights                      VU 114  
Tune: *MONKLAND 7777(VU 234)*

OPENING WORDS                      Bell is rung 3x, Community Candle is lit.

INTROIT                                      *'In our calling to be a blessing,...'*                      (VU 121, Lent 2)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsively)                      Back Bulletin Cover

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

## WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** – *Carol Sinclair*

### OFFERINGS

\* Offertory Hymn: Through the Heart of Every City VU 584  
Standing on verse 3 as offering brought forward

**ON THE CHANCEL STEPS** Children come forward

### PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

\***CHILDREN'S HYMN** I'm Gonna Shout, Shout MV 188

**READINGS** Ruth 1:1-19, Matthew 25:31-40

### ANTHEM

**SERMON** "Ruth's Leap of Faith" – *Heather Ferrier*

### SILENCE & PASTORAL PRAYER

\***CLOSING HYMN** God of Grace and God of Glory VU 686

\***BLESSING**

### POSTLUDE

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**Welcome** to Fort Massey. A special welcome to those who are visiting. Please sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card. Join us for **Coffee & Conversation** after the Service in the lower hall. Your host today is *Irene Parks*. Thank you for helping us create a **scent free** and **nut free** environment.

**Lent is a time of spiritual preparation.** This year we are focusing on our Prayer life, or lack of it. With that in mind, we are suggesting that people set aside quiet time first thing in the morning to think about something good they will do that day, and the last thing at night to list the things for which they are thankful.

**Our appreciation** *Heather Ferrier* and *Robert Bossler* for their leadership in today's Service.

**Coffee Hosts.** Sundays available in March. Sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby.

**Mission Magazine**, *Mandate*, focusing on poverty, is available (free) in the Tobin St. lobby.

## ***At the Kirk...***

Today	3-4 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Mon	11 am -1 pm	Church Hall	South End Playgroup
Mon	3:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Mon	7 pm	Lower Hall	Argentine Tango - Beginners
<b>Tue</b>	<b>10 am <u>Mar 5</u></b>	<b><i>Carol Sinclair's</i></b>	<b>Next Women's Coffee Group</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>1 pm</b>	<b>Lower Hall</b>	<b><i>Cozy Hands Sewing Project</i></b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Minister's Study</b>	<b>Outreach Committee</b>
Tue	7 pm	Lower Hall	YOGA with Jenny
<b>Tue</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Parlour</b>	<b>Kirk Session</b>
Tue	7 pm	Sanctuary	Choral Group Practice
Wed	10-11:30 am	Church Hall	Japanese Playgroup
Wed	3:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Wed	7-8:30 pm	Lower Hall	Argentine Tango
<b>Thu</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Green St. Berkeley</b>	<b>Spirit Connectors</b>
Thu	11am -1pm	Lower Hall	Weight Watchers
<b>Thu</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Cousin's Restaurant</b>	<b>Men's Breakfast</b>
Fri	6-7 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>The Sunday Gathering</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Church Hall</b>	<b>Church School &amp; Nursery</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>11:30 am</b>	<b>Lower Hall</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Conversation</b>

**Please note** that the gym will be closed until repair work is completed.

**Cancellations.** When in doubt because of the weather, please call the church (423-4294) or check the website.

**Holy Week @ the fort,** March 28-31: Maundy Thursday Pot Luck, 6 pm; Good Friday Service, 10:30 am; Easter Sunday Communion, 10:30 am.

## ***Leadership in our Community***

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Pastor  
Heather Ferrier, Student Minister  
Robert Bossler, Assistant to the 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

Simon Abbott, Interim Organist & Choir Director  
John Walter, Assistant Organist  
Leah Collins Lipsett, Pianist & Jr. Choir Director  
Kevin Roberts, Flutist  
Maddy Spicer, Assistant Administrator  
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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## ***What's Happening...***

**Fort Massey Church, Feb 24, 2013**

**Are you concerned about affordable housing?** A national campaign happening around Bill C400, a private members Bill to address affordable housing and homelessness in Canada. See: <http://dignityforall.ca/en/C400>

**Faith Study:** Brunswick St. United Church, 2107 Brunswick St. Halifax. 8 week study on Voicing Your Faith Beliefs starting Feb 24, 6 pm. (ending Apr 14). Info - call 817-2862 or email [kevinlittle@ns.aliantzinc.ca](mailto:kevinlittle@ns.aliantzinc.ca)

**The Lenten Chowder lunches** at the Presbyterian Church of Saint David (1537 Brunswick Street, Halifax) continue every Wednesday until Mar 27. Serving begins at 12 noon and takeout is available.

**2013 World Day of Prayer Service,** 2 pm, Mar 1, Bayers Road Baptist Church, 7077 Bayers Road. An evening service will also be held at 7 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, 5406 Roome Street, Halifax.

**Broadway Music** at Rockingham United, 12 Flamingo Dr., Mar 1 & 2, 7 pm. Dancing, sing-along, & cheesecake intermission. \$20. 443-2947.

**RCCO Hymn Fest,** Sun, Mar 3, 730 pm, St. Matthew's United Church, 1479 Barrington St, Halifax. Freewill offering.

**The Tenors,** coming to Halifax March 5, are widely known for their spiritual, uplifting music and they will be donating a portion of the ticket proceeds (\$15) from their show to FEED NOVA SCOTIA.

**Rose Cousins and The Modern Grass** (bluegrass band) present "*Your Heart Turned on Me: Folkgrass Confessionals at Fort Massey*" Mar 8, 7:30-9 pm (doors open 6:45), Fort Massey sanctuary. Tickets @ <https://etixnow.com/events/rose-cousins-mar-08>

**A Repair Café** will be held in the Fort Massey Lower Hall on March 16, 11am – 4 pm. This event will consist of bringing together repair experts and community members with broken or malfunctioning belongings to promote upcycling and to create community. Sponsored by The College of Sustainability, Dalhousie University and the FMC Outreach Committee.

**Bring-a-friend-to-church Sunday,** followed by our ***St. Patrick's Day Lunch,*** Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, FMC Lower Hall. *Wear Green!*

**Easter Newsletter articles** need to be in to the Church Office by Mar 22.