

# FORT MASSEY CHURCH

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

## LENT IV

10<sup>th</sup> March 2013

The Sunday Gathering @ 10:30 a.m.

### ORDER of SERVICE

\* indicates standing for those who are able

#### THE FORT MASSEY CHIMES

##### PRELUDE

Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist

Dietrich Buxtehude

##### \*PROCESSIONAL

Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights

VU 108

##### OPENING WORDS

Bell is rung 3X, Community Candle is lit.

##### INTROIT

'Give us eyes to see you clearly...' (VU 121, Lent 4)

##### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsively)

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##### THE PEACE

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

#### WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

##### MINUTE FOR MISSION – Nancy E Riggs

##### OFFERINGS

Offertory Hymn: As the Deer Pants for the Water

VU 766

\* Standing on the last verse as the offering is brought forward

##### ON THE CHANCEL STEPS

"Everything Has Become New!"

Children come forward

#### PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

##### \*CHILDREN'S SONG

When We Are Tested

MV 65

Alternate Tune: *SLANE* VU 642

##### READINGS

Genesis 22:1-14; Matthew 16:24

##### SERMON

"O Lambs of God"

##### ANTHEM

There Rang a Bell

David Francey

**\*A LITANY FOR LENT**

*Jesus invites us to a way of celebration,  
meeting and feasting with the humble and poor.*

**Let us walk his way with joy.**

*Jesus beckons us to a way of risk,  
letting go of our security.*

**Let us walk his way with joy.**

*Jesus challenges us to listen to the voices  
of those who have nothing to lose.*

**Let us walk his way with joy.**

*Jesus points us to a way of self-giving,  
where power and status are overturned.*

**Let us walk his way with joy.**

*Jesus calls us to follow the way of the cross,  
where despair is transformed  
by the promise of new life.*

**Let us walk his way with joy.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

Just as I Am

VU 508

**\*PARTING WORDS & BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

Accedens revolvit lapidem

Simon Abbott

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**We Welcome You!** Fort Massey Church warmly welcomes you to worship. We are a United Church with Presbyterian roots. A diverse group of people, we choose to go to church in a powerful building, experiencing United Church worship in the context of this diversity. Visitors are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card. Join us for **Coffee & Conversation** after the Service in the lower hall. Your hosts today are *Irene Parks* and *Janine MacGillivray*.

**Belated happy birthday wishes** to *Isabel Robertson* (March 8<sup>th</sup>).

**Coffee & Conversation.** We are looking for people to either be hosts or be a sponsor. Sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby, indicating your preference.

**Sensitivities.** Thank you for helping us create a **scent free** space. If you are sensitive to smoke residue, please sit on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. A reminder that we try to keep our kitchen a **nut free** environment.

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

Today	2 pm	Parlour	RCCO Meeting
Today	3-4 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Today	7 pm	Lower Hall	Roller Derby Meeting
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</b>	<b><i>Isabel Robertson's</i></b>	<b>Next Women's Coffee Group</b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>1 pm</b>	<b>Lower Hall</b>	<b>Cozy Hands Sewing Project</b>
Tue	7 pm	Lower Hall	YOGA with Jenny
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>10:30 am</b>	<b>Green St. Berkeley</b>	<b>Spirit Connectors</b>
<i>Pick up your readings in the Tobin St. lobby.</i>			
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
Fri	1 pm	Kitchen	Making our Irish Stew
Sat	11 am - 4 pm	Lower Hall	Repair Café
<b>Sun</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>	<b>The Sunday Gathering</b>
<i>Bring-friend-to-church Sunday</i>			
<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>An Irish Luncheon</b>
Sun	3-4 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do

**Holy Week @ the fort**, March 27-31: South End Churches Early Morning Service and Breakfast, Wednesday, 7:30; 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  
 Elliott Prouty, Head Usher

Simon Abbott, Interim Organist & Choir Director  
 John Walter, Assistant Organist  
 Leah Collins Lipsett, Pianist & Jr. Choir Director  
 Kevin Robarts, 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

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## ***What's Happening...***

**Fort Massey Church, March 10, 2013**

**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!*

**Irish Stew Cooking** will be held in the church kitchen on Friday, March 15, 1-2 pm. Volunteers needed to sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby.

**UCW** will meet Wed, March 20, 7:30 pm, in the Church Parlour. Plans for the upcoming Book Sale, Spring Flea Market, and the annual Get-together Pot Luck Supper will be finalized. *Sally deWolf* will conclude the meeting with a talk on rug hooking. Light refreshments will be served. Please bring an item for Adsum House or Hope Cottage. All women welcome.

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

**Books!** We are starting to collect books for our annual book sale (Apr 20). If you are ready to part with some of your treasures, please bring them in. We now have an empty room waiting to be filled in the lower hall. Local history and local authors are always on demand. Please, NO textbooks. Thank you.

**Celebrate Earth Day** when the *Halifax Camerata Singers* present Earth Songs, a choral celebration of the earth, the oceans and the spheres beyond on Sat., Mar. 23, at 7:30 pm at St. Patrick's Church, 2267 Brunswick St.. \$20, \$10

**The St John Passion** (Bach) with the *King's College Chapel Choir* and the chamber orchestra *Ensemble Regale*. Passion Sunday, 24 March, 3 pm, in The Cathedral Church of All Saints, Martello Rd. \$25, \$20.

**Ron Klusmeier's** trans-Canada farewell tour. St. Matthew's United Church, 1479 Barrington St., will host his concert on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

**Camp Kidston Applications** can be found on the table outside the kitchen.

**Lent is a time of spiritual preparation.** This year we have been focusing on our Prayer life. Have you been setting aside quiet time first thing in the morning and the last thing at night?

**The Healing Pathway Program**, an introduction to the basic concepts of Christian-centred healing; through prayer, meditation and the laying on of hands, to reclaim the healing ministry of Jesus, will be offered at Woodlawn United Church, April 5-7. Fee: \$160. Call 434-8302.

**National UCW 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Project.** Some \$264,548.88 has been raised by the United Church Women to support maternal care training programs at the Morogoro Women's Training Centre in Tanzania. And the donations are still coming. \$50,000 was their original goal. Congratulations UCW!