

**UCW General Meeting**, Mon, Sep 23, 2 PM, Church Parlour. Agenda: plans for Harvest Tea, Christmas Tea & Sale. *New members and ideas are always welcome!*

**Tea & Tango** - Argentine Tango for health and well-being, supported by the Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness, is a collaboration between Happily Ever Active and YouTwoCanTango launching a free 10 week Argentine Tango class for people with neurological conditions, Saturdays, starting September 28 (Sep 21 for volunteer helpers), VG Bethune Building in the Ballroom. Contact: 492.3903 or <TeaAndTango@me.com>. Partners welcome but not necessary.

**Back to Church Sunday** is September 29<sup>th</sup>. *Invite a friend!*

**UCW Sponsored Events:**

***Winter Clothing Sale*** – Oct 5, Fort Massey Lower Hall, 9:30-11:30 AM. We're now accepting winter clothing. Please place in lower hall.

***Fun & Talent Auction with Lunch*** (home-made stew) – Oct 6, 12 noon, Fort Massey Lower Hall. Auction items/ideas need to be submitted by Sep 30 (dinner for 4 in your home, tickets for a local arts or sporting event, movie passes, professional services, baby sitting, house sitting, pet walkies, gardening, snow removal, shovel off minister's desk, etc.)

***Harvest Tea*** – Oct 19, 2-4 PM, Fort Massey Lower Hall.

**Book Club & Spirit Connectors** will both be reading *Living the Questions: The Wisdom of Progressive Christianity*, by David M. Felten and Jeff Procter-Murphy. Beginning October 10, the minister will be offering a weekly session on Thursday mornings at 10:30 am; and a monthly 7:30 evening session on the second Thursdays. Sign-up on the easel board in the Tobin St. lobby by Sep 8 so that enough books can be ordered. Cost: \$20. Please contact the minister for a bursary.

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Brunswick Street Mission Breakfast**, featuring *Joe Roberts* "From Skid Row to CEO", World Trade & Convention Centre, Wed, Oct 23, 7:30-9 am. \$100. FMC's goal is to sell three tables of 10.

**Billets**. BEHOLD!, a national UCC inter-cultural conference, Oct 24-27, Halifax, is looking for people to billet our visitors. Contact *Doreen Crick* @ 443.2993 or <rdcrick@eastlink.ca>.

**Moderator's Visit**. The Right Rev'd Dr. *Gary Paterson*, will lead in a musical Service at Fort Massey Church on Saturday, October 26.

# *Fort Massey by-the-sea*

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada  
Watching over Halifax Harbour since 1871  
~ *where life and faith meet* ~



## *Creation Time* September 8, 2013

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Pastor  
Simon Abbott, Organist & Music Director  
Leah Collins Lipsett, Pianist & Jr. Choir Director  
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons  
Colleen Estabrooks, M&S Enthusiast  
Sancia Knorr, Church School  
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator  
Alison McDonald, Clerk of Session  
Alasdair Sinclair, OFM, Clerk Emeritus  
Alan G. Hayman, OFM, Senior Trustee  
H. Douglas Ritcey, OFM, Honorary Elder  
Irene Parks, UCW President

Heather Ferrier, Student Minister  
John Walter, Assistant Organist  
Kevin Roberts, Flutist  
Ian MacDonald, Tech Support  
Elliott Prouty, Head Usher  
Elaine Janson, Nursery  
Maddy Spicer, Assistant Administrator  
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# ORDER of SERVICE

\* indicates standing for those who are able

**PRELUDE** Offertoire J-F Dandrieu (1684-1740)

The bell is sounded three times  
The Community Candle is lit

**OPENING WORDS** Words by Robin Wardlaw, *Gathering: Pentecost 2, 2013*

**OPENING PRAYER** Words by Gail Corbett, *Gathering: Pentecost 2, 2013*

\***OPENING HYMN** All Things Bright and Beautiful VU 291

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

## WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

**MINUTE FOR MISSION** - *Sally deWolf*

**OFFERING** Offertory: Chorale Prelude "Had I a Thousand Tongues..."  
Max Reger (1873-1916)

\* Response: May We Share Tune: *Stuttgart*  
**May we share the grace of living,  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer faithfully.** anonymous, alt. gretta vosper

**CHILDREN'S TIME** "Creating a better world"

## PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

\***SONG** Change My Heart, Oh God (based on Psalm 51:10)  
**Change my heart, oh God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, oh God, may I be like you.  
You are the potter, I am the clay;  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, oh God, make it ever true;  
Change my heart, oh God, may I be like you.**  
Eddie Espinosa

## SILENCE & PRAYER

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

**READINGS** Excerpt from Robert Fulghum's book,  
"It was on fire when I laid down on it"  
Habakkuk 1: 1-4 (The Bible)

Reader: *Offered as wisdom for the journey*

All: **May we walk in its light.**

**SERMON**

“Tally-ha!” – *Rev. Trent*

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

O God, beyond All Face and Form  
Alt. Tune: MELITA, VU 322

VU 304

**\*PARTING WORDS**

**\*BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude in C major BWV 545

JS Bach (1685-1750)

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**Welcome** to *Fort Massey by~the~sea*. We are delighted to have you joining us at our Sunday morning Gathering. **Visitors** are invited to sign our Guest Book; if you're looking for a church home, please fill out a **Welcome Card** at the left of the main doors upon exiting the nave, leaving it with the guest book. Please join us after the Service for **lemonade and conversation** in the Lower Hall.

**Taize Prayer** at St. John's United Church, 6199 Chebucto Rd, Sep 8, Judith Grant Room in the Maritime Conservatory of Performing Arts.

**Forever Fit-Elderobics**, sponsored by the YMCA, is an exercise program for older adults. Exercise at your own pace. Classes are held in 10 HRM locations - St Andrew's, Bethany, Emmanuel, Apostles and Rockingham church halls as well as at Faith Tabernacle Hall and Captain W. Spry Community Centre. Fee is \$4 per class plus an annual fee of \$10; free to Y members. Sessions are led by qualified YMCA fitness instructors and set to lively music. For more information call the YMCA 423-9622.

**Spencer House Seniors' Centre**, 5596 Morris St, Halifax, open 9:30 am to 4 pm, offers affordable lunches, daily activities, and a new health studio. Check them out this fall. Call 421-6131.

**Choir**. Join *Simon* this Thursday, Sep 12, 7:30-9 PM, for choir practice!

**Rejouissance Early Music Ensemble** with Soprano *Ann Bradley*, Sep 15, 7:30 PM, Bethany United Church. Tickets \$15/\$5 at the door. 455-0521.

**Women's Coffee Group**. BBQ at *Carol Sinclair's* cottage, Prospect, on Tuesday, Sep 17. Leaving 10:30 or 11 AM. Burgers provided.

**YOGA with Jenny** begins Tuesday, September 17th, 7 to 8:20 PM.

**Blueberry Supper** (fish cakes, baked beans, cole slaw & brown bread) Dessert – Blueberry Grunt, Port Wallis United Church, 263 Waverley Rd, Dartmouth, Sep 20, 4:30-6 pm eat in and take out. \$12. Tickets 435-3644.