

Fort Massey by the Sea

*A Congregation of The United Church of Canada
Watching over Halifax Harbour c. 1871*

Pentecost ~ Union Sunday

10:30 am, June 8, 2014

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Pastor

John Walter, Assistant Organist

Kevin Robarts, Flutist

Ian MacDonald, Tech Support

Elliott Prouty, Head Usher

Janna Janson, Nursery

Linda MacDonald, Nominating

Alison McDonald, Clerk of Session

Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk Emeritus

Alan G. Hayman, Senior Trustee

H. Douglas Ritcey, Honorary Elder

Irene Parks, UCW President

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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

Maddy Spicer, Assistant Administrator

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ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

PRELUDE

Aria – Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

*SILENCE

Churches throughout Maritime Conference have been requested to light candles in memory of the 3 fallen RCMP officers in Moncton on June 4.

*OPENING WORDS

*OPENING HYMN

On Pentecost They Gathered

VU 195

*WORDS FOR THE 89TH BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Ut omnes unim sint.

Pardon me?

Ut omnes unim sint. It means, "That all may be one."

One in what?

One in God's love. One in Christ's family. One in the life of the Holy Spirit.

Is that possible?

It was Jesus' hope and dream. In this place, it is our hope and dream.

Whether we agree or disagree... Whether we know or don't know why we are here... Whether we worship with quiet or exuberant joy...

Here, we are one.

That all may be one.

Ut omnes unim sint.

Hallelujah!

(Richard Bott, St. Andrew's UC, Maple Ridge, BC)

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God whose breath fills all the earth
Whose love reveals our sacred worth
Whose Spirit forms one family
Whose grace brings peace and harmony. Amen.**

***THE PEACE**

*May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.*

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION "Cent-a-Meal" – *Colleen Estabrooks*

OFFERING HYMN

Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

VU 196

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Standing on the last verse as the offerings are presented

INDUCTION OF ELDERS – *Alison McDonald*, Clerk of Session

Retiring Elders – *Jean Brown, Leslie McLean*

Returning Elders – *Peter Coulthard, Kathy Evans, Jim Janson,*

Ruth MacKenzie, Irene Parks, Carol Sinclair

New Elders – *Matthew Dick, Sharon Ross*

PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

***AFFIRMATION** A New Creed

VU 918

READINGS

Psalm 58: 1-7 (The Bible)

Excerpt from "Meditating on the Word" by Bonhoeffer

SERMON

2014 Years of Learning To Be a Faith Community

***COMMUNION HYMN**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell among Us

VU 198

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

***CLOSING HYMN**

Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth

VU 207

Alternate tune: Duke Street (VU 330)

***CLOSING WORDS**

POSTLUDE

Partite – Bernardo Pasquini (1637-1710)

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Welcome to Fort Massey. On this Pentecost Sunday we are celebrating 89 years of Church union and observing the sacrament of Holy Communion. We are delighted to have you joining us today. You 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 our **Coffee & Conversation** in the lower hall. Your **host** today is *Irene Parks*.

Today's bulletin is given in loving memory of the *Rev'd. Carman W. Riggs*, born June 8, 1919, by his daughter, *Nancy E. Riggs*.

Supply Organist today is Fort Massey's Assistant Organist, John Walter.

Happy Birthday to our Honourary Elder, *H. Douglas Ritcey*, who is celebrating his 96th birthday today.

Our sympathy to *Glenn & Pat Musgrave and family* on the death of Glenn's father, **Glenn A. Musgrave**, last week. A Celebration of Life Service for his mother (d. May 10) and father (d. June 2) was held on June 6th in Cape Breton.

Church Library is open before and after the Service today in the lower hall. Books can be borrowed or purchased.

Daily Devotional, *These Days* (Jul-Aug-Sep) is available in the Tobin St. lobby.

Our musicians, *Simon and Leah*, are on a two month tour of cathedrals and organs in Europe. This tour will have an educational component to it. More information and subscription to the podcast (a radio show over the internet) can be found at: <http://organsafari.wordpress.com>

Concert: United Church singer songwriter *Scott Anthony Andrews* from Saskatchewan will be performing songs from his new CD "Faith is a Bicycle" at Stairs United in Dartmouth at 7:30 on June 8. Also featured will be harpist and soloist Mary Lynne Whyte. Tickets are \$20 with a CD and \$15 without. Come and join us for an intimate evening of song.

The Four Men Sing, *2014 Maritime Tour*, Woodlawn United Church, Dartmouth, June 8th, 8 PM. \$20. **See the minister after the Service for your ticket(s).**

This Week @ the fort ...

- *BBQ at Joe Howe*, Tue, 2PM, Joe Howe Manor
- *Halifax Presbytery*, Tue, 7PM, Port Wallis UC, Dartmouth
- *YOGA with Jenny*, Tue, 7PM, Lower Hall
- *Women's Outing*, Wed, Carol Sinclair's cottage
- *Wedding Rehearsal*, Thu, 3PM, Sanctuary
- *Wedding*, Sat, 5PM, Sanctuary

Newsletter Deadline is next Sunday, June 15th.

Membership Development Meeting @ the Fireside, Tue, June 17, 7:30 PM

Lunch in Hall's Harbour, Thu, June 19. Leaving Halifax at 10 am. Sign-up in the Tobin St. lobby. Please indicate if you can offer a ride OR need a ride. Should the weather be un-cooperative that day, lunch will be held at a local restaurant.

Crisis in South Sudan: The United Church of Canada is sounding an alarm about the growing humanitarian crisis in *South Sudan*.. **For further information, check out the UCC web site OR please contact:** *Mary-Frances Denis*, Program Coordinator, Media and Public Relations, The United Church of Canada. Tel: 416-231-7680 ext. 2016; Toll-free: 1-800-268-3781 ext. 2016