

**Gifts with Vision**, the United Church Christmas catalogue, in the Tobin St. lobby.

**Tuesday at the Fort: Outreach**, 6:30 PM, Minister's Study; **YOGA** with Jenny, 7 PM, Lower Hall; **Kirk Session**, 7:30 PM, Parlour.

**Thursday at the Fort: Discussion group**, *Painting the Stars: Science, Religion and an Evolving Faith*, a seven part DVD series, is gathering in the lower hall from 10:30-11:45 am. **Choir Rehearsal**, 7:30- 9 PM, sanctuary.

**Phoenix House Snacks**. Each November we collect snacks and money for snacks to support Phoenix House for one week. You may place your snacks in the container in the sanctuary or money in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.

**Next Women's Coffee** will be held at the home of *Margie James*, on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM.

**Men's Breakfast**, Fri, Nov 28, 9:30 AM, Athens on Quinpool.

**An Evening at the Fireside**. Join us on Thursday, Nov 27, from 7:30 to 9 PM, at the *Fireside* on Brunswick St. for a pre-Advent gathering. You are invited to bring a favourite Christmas story (children's or adult) or share some thoughts on your favourite Christmas movie or television episode.

**Milonga**, Tango Dance Party, Friday, Dec 5, 9-11:30pm in the lower hall.

**Fort Massey Membership**. Anyone wishing to transfer their membership or become a member is asked to contact the minister at 902.423.4294 or [fmminister@eastlink.ca](mailto:fmminister@eastlink.ca)

**Citrus Sale** in support of health and education programs in The Gambia. Contact June Boswell (902.835.4505) or the NS Gambia Association (902.(423.1360).

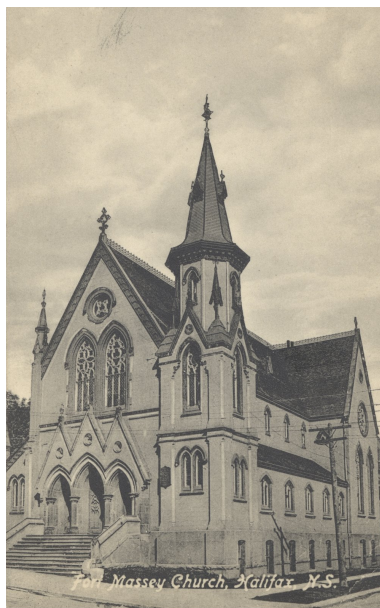
**AST Christmas Lights Celebration**. Please join us for this annual event – All are welcome! AST front lawn, Francklyn St., Thursday, December 4, 6 PM. Tree Lighting / Carol Sing / Festive treats to follow in the AST Common Room. Enjoy the big brass sound of *Barry Banks & Friends* . . . It's an AST tradition!

**Sleepover**. The Church School will be having a sleepover on Friday night, Dec 19. Contact *Sancia Knorr* for details.

**Baby Shower**. The Membership Development Committee will be holding a baby shower for our newest babies (3) on the fourth Sunday in Advent, **Dec 21**, during Coffee & Conversation. Financial donations are now being received in the offering plate. Thank you.

**ADVENT & CHRISTMAS @ the Fort:**  
Nov 30, 10:30 AM, Advent One, Communion (no coffee & conversation)  
Dec 7, 10:30 AM, Advent Two, Anniversary Sunday (lunch)  
Dec 14, 10:30 AM, Advent Three  
Dec 21, 10:30 AM, Advent Four, White Gift Service & Baptism  
Dec 24, 7 PM, Christmas Eve Service  
Dec 28, 10:30 AM, Lessons & Carols  
Jan 4, 10:30 AM, New Year's Communion





# *Fort Massey by-the-Sea*

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**WARNING!** *To enter into the  
life of this people of God is to  
encounter God's soul  
challenging, life-changing,  
radicalizing love. Will you join  
us? Do you dare?*



10:30 am, November 23, 2014

Reign of Christ Sunday

# *The Gathering at Fort Massey*

\* Indicates all who are able may stand

**PRELUDE** – *Leah Collins Lipsett* is our pianist/organist/choral director today

The Bell is sounded three times in the name of Creating God, Jesus, and Spirit.  
The Community Candle is lit reminding us that we are bearers of light & love.

**OPENING WORDS** (responsively)

*In the name of our God who shares divinity with us*  
*In the name of our God who shares humanity with us*  
*In the name of our God who unsettles and inspires us...*

*We pray:*

*Christ be with me, **Christ before me,***

*Christ be after me, **Christ within me,***

*Christ beneath me, **Christ above me,***

*Christ at my right, **Christ at my left.***

*May it be so. **Amen.*** (St. Patrick)

<b>PRAYER OF JESUS</b>	The Lord's Prayer	VU 914
* <b>OPENING HYMN</b>	Rejoice, the Lord Is King	MV 213
<b>A SIGN OF PEACE</b>	<i>Peace be with you. <b>And also with you.</b></i>	
<b>ANTHEM</b>	'Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel'	
<b>WELCOME &amp; NOTICES</b>	Halifax Presbytery Report – <i>Elliott Prouty</i>	
<b>MINUTE FOR MISSION</b>	“Rainbow Ministry” – <i>Nancy Riggs</i>	
<b>OFFERINGS</b>	Offertory: Lullaby – F. Schubert <i>Kevin Robarts, flute; Leah Collins Lipsett, piano</i>	
* <b>DOXOLOGY</b>	Praise God...	VU 541
<b>CHILDREN'S TIME</b>	“If the world were a village” – <i>with the Sunday's Cool Crowd</i>	
* <b>HYMN</b>	Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope <u>Children leave for class during the hymn</u>	MV 33
* <b>AFFIRMATION OF FAITH</b>	A New Creed	VU 918
<b>READINGS</b>	Excerpt from Robert Fulghum “Uh-Oh” Ecclesiastes 3:1-9 (New English Bible) <i>Offered as wisdom for the journey.</i> <b>May we walk in its light.</b>	
<b>SERMON</b>	<u>It's About Time</u>	
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER</b>		

\*PARTING WORDS (responsively)

*Time has now come for us to leave this sacred place.  
 As we do, may we embrace the challenges  
 of our lives and our world...(candle extinguished)  
 In our lives, may we know the holy meaning,  
 the mystery that breaks into it every moment.  
**May Christ reign in our lives  
 allowing us to live at peace with our world  
 and at peace with ourselves. May it be so. Amen.***

POSTLUDE

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**Welcome** to Fort Massey by~the~Sea. We are delighted to have you with us today. **Visitors** are invited to fill out a **Welcome Card** at the left of the main doors upon exiting the nave, leaving it with the guest book. Join us after the Service for **Coffee & Conversation**. Your hosts today are *Mary & Angus, and Alison McDonald*.

**Mission to Seafarers Boxes**. Once again we are collecting shoe boxes or bags for the waterfront Mission. Toiletry items, winter gloves/scarves, candy, etc. - use your imagination. Our coordinator, *Kathy Evans*, has set a goal of 50 boxes/bags by Dec 19<sup>th</sup>. Your support is appreciated.

**House Party**. Old-time country folk singer, *Betty Belmore* will reunite with award winning multi-instrumentalist, *Gordon Stobbe* and veteran fiddler, *Doug Romans* to revive the music of the popular *Mighty Oak String Band*. Refreshments. November 29, 8 PM, St. Andrew’s United Church Hall, 6036 Coburg Road, Halifax. Tickets \$20.00. Call 425-0339 to reserve.

**RCCO Annual Carol Festival**, Monday, Dec 1, Cathedral Church of All Saints, Martello St.. Freewill Offering. Organ Recital at 7:00 p.m., Service at 7:30 p.m.

**Halifax Explosion recognition**, Saturday, Dec. 6, Citadel Hill’s noon cannon at 9.05 AM to recognize the moment of the actual explosion, followed by the ringing of church bells, including our Simon at the Fort Massey Chimes. This is a special year as it marks the 100th anniversary of WW1.

**Anniversary Sunday**, Dec 7, 10:30 AM. Our guest preacher will be the Rev’d *Ron Ryan*, Director of Communications of the Unitarian Christian Emerging Church. Ron has served United Church pulpits in Newfoundland - Fogo, Seldom-Come-By, Buchans, Lewisporte, Norris Arm, Glenwood ... for well over 25 years, and is presently attending Rockingham United Church. The Kirk Session will host a soup & chowder luncheon after the Service.