

In the community...

Dinner By Candle-light, May 9th – 6 p.m., hosted by St. John's United Church, Halifax, in the hall at Faith Tabernacle, corner of Windsor and Summit Sts. Silent auction. \$25/person. For info contact *Gerry MacCreadie* – 902.876.7301.

The Music of Herbert Howells, A Lecture / Demonstration presented by noted Ottawa organist, choir director and accompanist Wesley Warren. Adults \$10, RCCO members and children under 12 free. First Baptist Church, May 8, 7-9 PM.

Organ Spectacular with Wesley Warren in Recital, presented by the RCCO Halifax, May 9, 7:30 PM, Cathedral Church of , All Saints, 1330 Martello St. \$20, Srs \$15, Students unwaged by donation, children under 12 free. Music by Buxtehude, Bach, Franck, Howells, Willan, Mulet, and Mendelssohn.

VOX: A Choir for Social Change, (Scott Jones' choir) will present UKUTHULA (oo-koo-too-la), from the Zulu word for peace, May 10, St Matthew's United Church, 2:30 & 7 PM. Admission by donation. Proceeds to the *Youth Project* and the *Don't Be Afraid Campaign*.

Rhapsody Quintet, “with a little help from our friends”, Wed, May 13, 7:30 PM, Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. \$34 (plus service fees) at the DAL Box Office (902.494.3820). In support of the QEII Health Science Centre.

CGIT 100th Birthday will be celebrated, May 19, 4-9 PM, Fairview United Church, 3524 Dutch Village Rd. Registration forms are in the Tobin St. lobby.

The Sunday Gathering

10:30 am, May 3, 2015 ~ Easter 5

Fort Massey by-the-Sea

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ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

PRELUDE Herr Gott, nun schleuß den Himmel auf J.S. Bach

SILENT REFLECTION The Trinity Bell is rung & the Community Candle is lit.

GATHERING WORDS

***OPENING HYMN** O Worship the King VU 235

WELCOME & THE NOTICES

MINUTE FOR MISSION "The Power of Food" – Nancy E. Riggs

OFFERING

Offertory: Jesus Christus, unser Heiland J.S. Bach

***DOXOLOGY** Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One. Amen VU 541

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

TIME WITH THE SUNDAY'S COOL CROWD "Nepal: What can I do?"

***HYMN** The Church is Wherever God's People VU 579

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM Gentle, Holy Saviour Charles Gounod

READINGS	The List (Excerpt) by Robert Fulghum Proverbs 16:18-24 <i>Offered as wisdom for the journey. May we walk in its light.</i>	
SERMON	<u>Ice Breaking</u> – Rev. Trent	
AFFIRMATION	A New Creed	VU 918
*CLOSING HYMN	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	VU 333
*PARTING WORDS	<i>Amen. May it be so.</i>	
POSTLUDE	Christ lag in Todesbanden	J.S. Bach

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Welcome to Fort Massey! We are delighted to have you joining us today. A special welcome to our **visitors**; you are invited to sign our Guest Book. If you're looking for a church home, please fill out a **Welcome Card** leaving it with the guest book. Join us after the Service in the lower hall for **coffee & conversation**. Our **hosts** today are *Janine MacGillivray* and *Irene Parks*. At the organ today is *John Walter*. Organ pieces are preludes from Bach's "Little Organ Book", based on Easter chorales.

Our Sympathy to the family of the late *Margaret H. Grant*, long-time Elder of the Kirk Session. Margaret died at home on Monday evening, April 27, 2015. A memorial service will be held from Fort Massey Church on Thursday, May 14th, at 2 PM.

Thank you to all those who helped with the annual **Spring Flea Market & Book Sale**. Special thanks to the UCW, and convener, *Irene Parks*.

Confirmation for Youth & Membership. Please contact the minister if you'd like to become a member of Fort Massey Church on Pentecost Sunday, May 24th.

Givings. After a severe winter, please review your envelope givings for this year; or you may want to consider the advantages of PAR (Preauthorized Automatic Remittance). Your offering continues to work even when you're not able to be here, and our Sunday counters get to spend less time in the Tellers' Room. Contact *Ruth MacKenzie* @ 902.477.5365. Thank you.

This week @ the fort

- *South-end Playgroup*, Mon, 11:30 AM, Nursery & Lower Hall
- *Acupuncture*, Mon, 3:30-4:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *CA Group*, Mon, 7-8 PM, Lower Hall (beginning May 11th)
- *NEXT Women's Coffee Gp*, Tue, May 12, 10 AM, *Sharon Ross'*
- *Voices Lessons with Jennifer Farrell*, Tue, 2:15-6 PM, Sanctuary
- *Karate-Do*, Tue, 5:3-6:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *YOGA with Jenny*, Tue, 7 PM, Lower Hall
- *Board of Management*, Tue, 7:30 PM, Parlour
- *Acupuncture*, Wed, 3:30-4:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *Spirit Seekers*, Thu, 10:30 AM, The Berkeley, Green St.
(Meister Eckhart, chapter 9)
- *Voices Lessons*, Thu, 10:45 AM – 12:45 PM, 4:15-7 PM, Sanctuary
- *Karate-Do*, Thu, 5:30-6:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *VOX Choir Rehearsal*, Thu, 5:30-8:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *Choir Practice*, Thu, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary
- *Men's Breakfast*, Fri, 9:30 AM, Athens Restaurant
- *Muslim Prayers*, Fri, 1-2:30 PM, Lower Hall
- *Voices Lessons*, Fri, 2-3 PM, Sanctuary
- *Tea & Tango*, Sat, 1:45-4 PM, Lower Hall

Upcoming @ the fort

- Music show rehearsals - for Stewart Legere's solo show with Accidental Mechanics Group, May 4-17, Gym.
- Berwick Girl Guides, May 8&9, Church Hall
- OBEY music convention evening concerts, May 21-23, Sanctuary
- Victorian Tea, May 24, 11:30 AM, Lower Hall.
Food sign-up sheets are located on the easel board in the Tobin St. lobby
- Lay Sunday with a Celtic flavour, May 31, 10:30 AM, Sanctuary
- Farewell Gathering for Leah, June 7, 11:30 AM, Music Room
- 50th Anniversary Celebration for *Richard & Carol Robinson*, 2-4 PM, June 7, Lower Hall
- Lunch out at Pete's Vineyard, June 11, Annapolis Valley
- Next Communion, June 14, 10:30 AM, Sanctuary
- Church School Closing Exercises, June 21, 10:30 AM, Sanctuary;
Ice Cream Social to follow in the Lower Hall

Nepal: What can I do?

Donate

The United Church is welcoming donations for **Nepal Earthquake Relief** in response to the 7.8 magnitude earthquake that hit the south Asian country on April 24. The United Church has contributed \$7,500 from its Emergency Response Fund to ACT Alliance to provide emergency aid in Kathmandu and surrounding areas. **The Canadian government will match, dollar for dollar**, donations to registered Canadian charities (including the United Church) made between April 25 and May 25.

Your donation to Nepal Earthquake Relief will be applied directly to support relief, rehabilitation, and restoration efforts in the country. Here's how you can donate:

- **Online** via the UCC secure donation page.
- **Phone** 416-231-5931 ext. 3050 or toll-free 1-800-268-3781 ext. 3050 and use your Visa or MasterCard.
- **Send a cheque**, money order, or Visa or MasterCard information with donation amount to:
 - The United Church of Canada
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Please be sure to note “Emergency Response—Nepal Earthquake Relief” on the face of your cheque.