The Name: The unique name of Fort Massey Church recalls the early years of the garrison town when there was a blockhouse on the site. The fort was named after *General Eyre Massey* who was commander-in-chief at Halifax from 1776-1780.

The Building: From the *Halifax Reporter*, 1871: "The interior ... has almost a cathedral appearance. In form and style there is nothing like it in Nova Scotia." From the *Canadian Illustrated News*, 1873: "...one of the most handsome specimens of Gothic architecture to be met in the Dominion." Opened in 1871, the Scottish architect, *David Stirling*, made skilful use of Gothic designs with more than a dozen window shapes and sizes and numerous versions of decorative window tracery. Inside there are richly-carved ceiling braces supported by hammer-beams, ornamental kings' heads and bands of trefoil arches punctuated by protruding, small winged creatures which gaze down into the nave below. The church hall with gymnasium was added in 1898, and is shared with numerous community groups.

The Organ: The three manual Casavant organ, installed in 1913, was played by television's first lady of the organ, *Diane Bish* (Joy of Music) to a full house; and each October the local chapter of the *Royal Canadian College of Organists* (RCCO) brings together organists and musical guests for an evening of 'frighteningly fine music' at the *Phantoms of the Pipes* concert!

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Halifax ~ Nova Scotia

A Gathering Place

for the Community, the Arts, and the Spiritual Quest

L E N T 2

February 25, 2018
10:30 a.m.

ORDER *of* SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

PRELUDE	Celtic Suite	
SILENT REFLECTION	The bell is rung and candles lighted.	
GATHERING WORDS		
PRAYER OF JESUS	The Lord's Prayer	VU 921
***OPENING HYMN**	Hope of the World Alt. Tune: WELWYN (VU 329)	VU 215
***THE PEACE**	*Peace be with you.* **And also with you.**	
WELCOME	Getting to Know You *– Dr. Tim Dean*	
THE NOTICES		
MINUTE FOR MISSION	*– Calvin Burt*	
OFFERING	Offertory: Recorder Sonata in C major HWV 365 - G.F. Handel I. Larghetto (excerpt) *Kevin Robarts*, alto recorder *Tristan Cleveland-Thompson*, piano Doxology: **Praise God...**	VU 541
*	Standing, as offering brought forward	
TODAY'S THEME	With the Sunday's Cool Crowd	
***HYMN**	Welcome Jesus, … Alt. Tune: STUTTGART (VU 2)	MV 137
	Church School & Nursery are available	
PRAYER		

ANTHEM	*Song of Gratitude* by Craig Hella Johnson	
READING	I Corinthians 15:35-44 *Offered as wisdom for the journey.* **May we walk in its light.**	
SERMON	Paul, the first theologian # 2 in a 5-part series – *Rev. Trent*	
***AFFIRMATION**	A New Creed	VU 918
***CLOSING HYMN**	O Jesus, I Have Promised	VU 120
***PARTING WORDS**	*Amen.* **May it be so.**	
POSTLUDE	*Now thank we all our God* by Elert	

Welcome to Fort Massey. Visitors are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card at the left of the main doors upon exiting the nave, leaving it with the guest book; and introduce yourself to Rev. Trent, and Calvin. Join us after the 10:30 Gathering in the lower hall for Coffee & Conversation as we gather to offer our best wishes to our Organist & Music Director, Tristan, who moves to St. John's, NL, on March 1st.

People you need to know:

Calvin Burt, Liturgist - AST Student
John Walter, Assistant Organist
Kevin Robarts, Flute/Recorder
Ruth MacKenzie, Chief Steward
Angie Ngu, Treasurer
Alison McDonald, Clerk of Session
Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk Emeritus

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John Beveridge, B.S.M. Rep.
Jim Janson, Anne Naldrett, Tellers
Elliott Prouty, Head Usher/Presb. Rep.

The Notices

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Happy birthday: to Jeanne Coiffee who celebrated her 106th anniversary on February 22 at Parkland-on-the-Gardens;
to Nance North, Yarmouth, who was 96 on Feb 21st;
and to Brenda Fong who celebrated a birthday on Feb 20th.

This week @ the fort:
-- Next Women's Coffee Group, 10 AM, Mary Carmichael's
-- Tue, Outreach, 6:30 PM, Minister's Study
-- Tue, Yoga with Jenny, 7 PM in the lower hall
-- Tue, Kirk Session, 7:30 PM, Irene Parks Room
-- Wed, Book Study Cancelled – resuming March 14th
New book: beginning Mar. 14 - *The Mind of God* by Dr. Jay Lombard
-- Wed, Tea & Tango, 1:30 PM, Lower Hall
-- Thu, Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary
-- Thu, Tango, 8-10 PM, Music Room
-- Next Men's Breakfast, March 9, 9:30 AM, Steak & Stein

Next Pizza Sunday, March 4, we'll be 'travelling south'. Prizes for the most 'colourful outfits' (excluding tartan). If you would like to sponsor or partially sponsor a Pizza Sunday, contact our pastor.

A Celebration of the Irish, Sunday, March 18, 11:30, Lower Hall. Wear your green and/or orange and be prepared to sing some Irish tunes! The men will compete for the covenanted trophy, The Vicar's Ladle, by cooking up a Stew (Irish stew is optional) this year. We will need several volunteers to make rolls/ biscuits. Register with the Vicar, please.

Holy Week 2017 @ the Fort:
Palm Sunday Service, March 25, 10:30 AM
Maundy Thursday Communion & Pot Luck, March 29, 6 PM
Good Friday Service, March 30, 10:30 AM
Easter Sunday Service, April 1, 10:30 AM (Pizza Sunday will be held on April 8th rather than on Easter Sunday, April 1st)

Seven Deadly Sins ~ Poison Envy

Poison Envy: How do Social Media and the Wellness Industry Convince us we're Sick?" Dr. Stan Kutcher, Professor of Psychiatry, Dalhousie University, will discuss the gap between the idealized world of social media and our own lived experience. How does the notion of "wellness" play into our aspirations and disappointments?
How does this discrepancy impact our mental health?
7PM, February 28, O'Regan Hall, Halifax Central Library.

<u>AST Graduate Project Presentations</u>, Wed, March 7,
9:30 am to 12 noon
St. Columba Chapel
634 Francklyn Street, Halifax, NS

Presenters:

ANGELA MACLEAN
Community Choirs:
Secular Gathering, Holy Ground

KIM CURLETT
Spiritual But Not Religious . . . In Church?
Community in the Unexpected
Refreshments between presentations
For More Info: Academic Office 902-423-5592