

Welcome to Fort Massey. We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, straight, gay, confused, well-heeled or down at heel. We especially welcome wailing babies and excited toddlers. We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quietly to yourself. You're welcome here if you're 'just browsing,' just woken up or just got out of prison. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Moderator of the United Church of Canada, or haven't been to church since Christmas ten years ago. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome keep-fit mums, hockey dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, are down in the dumps or don't like 'organized religion.' (*We're not that keen on it either!*) We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or are here because granny is visiting and wanted to come to the ol' Kirk. We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throat as kids or got lost on the Armdale roundabout and wound up here by mistake. We welcome pilgrims, tourists, seekers, doubters... and you! (adapted, used with permission, *Coventry Cathedral, England*).

Let us be gentle, patient and kind in 2021.

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Fort Massey Church

Spiritual Seekers **United** in Community

HALIFAX ~ NOVA SCOTIA

Our Sesquicentennial 1871-2021

Hosanna!



Palm Sunday

March 28, 2021

THE WORD MADE FRESH

PRELUDE	Lighting of Community Candle	
INTROIT: MV 8	And on This Path	
GATHERING WORDS	The Lord's Prayer	VU 921
*HYMN: VU 122	All Glory, Laud and Honour	
*THE PEACE	<i>Peace be with you.</i> And also with you.	
WELCOME & NOTICES		
*OFFERING: VU 357	Tell Me the Stories of Jesus vs.1 & 4	
PRAYER		
*HYMN: MV 128	When They Heard That Jesus Was Coming vs 1, 2 & 3	
READING	Gospel of John 12:12-14 <i>Offered as wisdom for the journey.</i> May we walk in its light.	
SERMON	<u>O Captain! My Captain!</u>	
*AFFIRMATION	A New Creed	VU 918
*HYMN: VU 127	Ride On! Ride On in Majesty	
*PARTING WORDS	<i>Amen. May it be so!</i>	
GOING FORTH: VU 149	When I Survey the Wondrous Cross v. 4	

POSTLUDE

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April birthdays. Owen Gillis – the 3rd, Linda Dean & David Griffiths – the 8th, Elizabeth Pacey – the 28th, Jacob Janson – the 30th.

We minister together, thanks to your support. Please call or e-mail the church office to contact Ruth MacKenzie re financial giving through weekly envelopes or the convenience of PAR; and Linda MacDonald re serving on a committee.

Easter Flowers. Place your memorial donation & info in the offering plate by March 28. Thank you.

Easter Egg Hunt, for the children, next Sunday.

Broadview, UCC magazine, will be published 8 times a year beginning April/May 2021. Next renewal \$25 is Jul/Aug 2022.

This week @ the fort:

Yoga with Andrew, Tue, 6:30 PM, lower hall

Kirk Session, Tue, 7:30 PM, sanctuary

Wed Morning Coffee Party via Zoom, 10:30 AM

Book Study, Thu, 10:30 AM, lower hall

Choir Rehearsal, Thu, 7:15 PM, sanctuary

Annual Meeting, Brunswick Street Mission, Monday, April 12, at 7 PM, 2107 Brunswick Street.

Hope Cottage Update – still need meals for Jun 24, Aug 19, Oct 14 and Dec 9. To volunteer, please contact Teresa Orser, 902-266-7959 cell/text or ptmhorser@yahoo.ca.

Climate crisis. Earth Spirit Action Team at St Matthew's UC is looking to join with like-minded Fort Massey folk, via Zoom, concerned about the climate crisis and necessary action. Contact the minister if interested.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
 that were a present far too small:
 love so amazing, so divine,
 demands my soul, my life, my all.

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- 1 **And on this path,**
the gates of holiness are open wide, **(3X)**
Open wide! **(3X)**
The gates are open wide!
- 2 So enter in, the gates of holiness are open wide, **(3X)**
Open wide! **(3X)**
The gates are open wide!

All glory, laud and honour
to you, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

- 1 You are the King of Israel,
and David's royal son,
now in the Lord's name coming,
our King and blessed one. R
- 2 The multitude of pilgrims
with palms before you went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before you we present. R
- 3 To you, before your passion,
they sang their hymns of praise;
to you, now high exalted,
our melody we raise. R
- 4 Their praises you accepted;
accept the prayers we bring,
great author of all goodness,
O good and gracious king. R

- 1 **Tell me the stories of Jesus** I love to hear,
things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.
- 4 Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas! Jesus is king!

- 1 **When they heard that Jesus was coming,**
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
All the people went out to meet him.
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the chosen one!
- 2 Spread their cloaks and branches before him,
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Children sang with palm branches waving,
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the chosen one!
- 3 Blest is he, like David before him...
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Blest is he, God's blessing upon him...
Sing hosanna to the chosen one!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the chosen one!

- 1 **Ride on! Ride on in majesty!**
Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry:
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

- 2 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

- 3 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
The winged squadrons of the sky
look down with sad and wondering eyes
to see the approaching sacrifice.

- 4 Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.