

At the Kirk...

Mon	11-1	Church Hall/Cornwallis Park	South End Playgroup
Mon	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Tue	10 am, <u>Nov 29</u>	TBA	Next Women's Coffee Group
Tue	5-7 pm	St. Andrew's UC	University Student Suppers
Tue	6 pm	Gym	Men's Basketball
Tue	7-8:15 pm	Lower Hall	Yoga with Jenny MacDougall
Wed	9:30-11:30 am	Lower Hall	Breastfeeding Support
	(1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays of the month)	in partnership with	Public Health
Wed	10-11:30 am	Church Hall	Japanese Playgroup
Wed	2 pm	Music Room	Music Class
Wed	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Thu	10:30 am	The Berkeley	Spirit Connectors
Thu	11am -1pm	Lower Hall	Weight Watchers
Thu	6 pm	Gym	Men's Floor hockey
Thu	7:30 pm	Sanctuary	Choir Practice
Fri	9:30 am	Cousin's Restaurant	Men's Breakfast
Fri	10-11:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Fri	6-7 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Fri	7-8 pm	Gym	Dal Student Taekwondo Society
Sat	12:30 pm	Bedford	UCW Luncheon
<i>Sunday, Nov 27, Advent 1</i>			
Sun	10 am	Sanctuary	Choir Practice
Sun	10:15 am	Minister's Study	Kirk Session
Sun	10:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship & Communion
Sun	10:45 am	Lower Hall & Nursery	Church School & Nursery
Sun	11:30 am	Lower Hall	Coffee & Conversation
Sun	11:30 am	Parlour	UCW Business Meeting
Sun	2-3 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do
Sun	3-4 pm	Gym	Dal Student Taekwondo Society

The annual Christmas Luncheon for UCW members and ladies of the congregation will be held on Sat, Nov 26, 12:30 pm, at True North Diner, 1658 Bedford Highway (Bedford Place Mall (formerly the Ponderosa Rest.) Reservations only. Call Irene @ 422-7996 to reserve a seat and/or a drive by Sunday, Nov 20. Thank you.

UCW Business Meeting (brief) will be held in the Church parlour after the Sunday Service on Nov 27th.

Leadership in the Community of Faith

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Minister	Pierre Perron, Music Director
Robert Bossler, Student Minister	John Walter, Assistant Organist
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons	Kevin Roberts, Flutist
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator	Leah Collins Lipsett, Accompanist
Sancia Knorr, SS Co-ordinator	Elaine Janson, Nursery
Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk of Session	Kevoork Peltekian, Board Chair
Alan G. Hayman, Senior Trustee	Leslie Pezzack, Treasurer
Irene Parks, UCW President	Ian MacDonald & Elliott Prouty, Presbytery Reps
Colleen Estabrooks, M&S Enthusiast	H. Douglas Ritcey, Honorary Elder
Linda Dean, Nominating Chair	Elliott Prouty, Head Usher
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Reign of Christ Sunday ~ 10:30 a.m., 20th November 2011

THE GATHERING

ORGAN PRELUDE O Gott, du frommer Gott (O God, Thou Faithful God) ~
Johannes Brahms 1833-1897

***ENTRY INTO CELEBRATION** *Bell is rung three times.*

***LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CANDLE** *Community candle is lit.*

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** Rejoice, the Lord Is King VU 213

***OPENING SENTENCES**

*As we gather to remember and share stories of faith,
let us also rejoice in the presentness of Creativity God.
Before our stories began, there was God; through all our days,
God's presentness in there, energizing us.
Indeed, God's spirit is moving among us, about to do a new thing in our midst.
We will sing praises and offer thanks.
We seek to grow in faith and in love for one another.*

***PRAYER OF AWARENESS**

*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. (Adapt. St Patrick)
Amen.*

***THE PEACE** *The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.*

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Joanne Hayman

OFFERING Offertory: Petit Canon Nadia Boulanger 1887-1979

***DOXOLOGY**

VU 541

*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.
The offering is brought forward during the singing of the Doxology.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Fort Massey Sunday Church School Launch of the
Ratlam Christian School Scholarship – Ian MacDonald

PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS The Lord's Prayer

VU 921

***HYMN**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

VU 575

Children leave for Church School in the lower hall; Nursery is located off the Tobin St. lobby

SILENCE & PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Tune: St. Thomas,
Words by Timothy Dwight

READINGS Living with Loss by Liz McNeill Taylor; Mark 14:3-9

CONTEMPORARY WORD "Long Reign The King-dom" – Rev. Trent

***AFFIRMAFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A New Creed

VU 918

***CLOSING HYMN**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

VU 211

***WORDS OF MISSION**

The presentness of God reaches beyond this place...

(The candle is extinguished)

*May we open ourselves ever more fully to that Eternal Mystery
which lures us onward toward life and creativity.*

*May we find the courage to live our faith,
to speak our truth, and to strive together for a world where freedom
abounds and justice truly does roll down like water.*

*May we know the fullness of love without fear,
and the serenity of peace without turmoil.*

*May we hold one another in the deep and tender places with compassion,
and may we grace one another by sharing our own vulnerabilities,*

being ever mindful of the divinity within that makes soulmates of us all.

***BLESSING WORDS**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Praise the Lord, O My Soul

Siegfried Karg-Elert 1877-1933

* Please stand in body or spirit.

~ where life and faith meet ~

Welcome to Fort Massey *by-the-sea*. Our Assistant Organist, John Walter, is filling in today for Pierre while he is California for his sister's 90th birthday. **Visitors** are invited to sign our Guest Book and fill out a Welcome Card at the left of the main doors upon exiting, leaving it with the guest book. Join us in the lower hall after worship for **coffee & conversation**; your host is *the MacDougall family*. *Sign-up* in the Tobin St. lobby to be a host.

You've got mail. Your 2011 *givings-to-date* are available today.

Thank You to all those who helped with the Tea & Sale, including Stephanie Coulthard, Colleen Estabrooks, and Gwen Smith-Dockrill (Tea Room); and Irene Parks (Convener).

In the Community...

Bizet's CARMEN, live opera, Spatz Theatre at Citadel HS, TODAY, at 2 pm
Tickets: \$25, \$20 and \$10. Half price student tickets available at \$5 by calling 425-5205.

Oppression: Loss & Hope, A panel discussion with guest speakers and first voice responses, Black Nova Scotians, Tue, Nov 22, 7 pm, Universalist Unitarian Church, 5500 Inglis St. (near South Park), Halifax.

Bishop's University Singers & Phoenix Community in Concert, November 26th & 27th, 7:30 PM Spatz Theatre (Citadel High School). \$ 25 & \$ 20 for Sr/Sts

Chowder Luncheon and Sale, Saint David's Presbyterian Church, Dec3, 12-2.

Seton Cantata Choir presents its annual Christmas concert, *Seton's Greetings*, on Dec 4 at 3 pm at Bethany United Church, 7171 Clinton Street, Halifax. Tickets: \$15 429-1680 and at the door. The choir is under the direction of Wayne Rogers with accompanist Dean Bradshaw.

The Halifax Camerata Singers, featuring Camerata Xara Young Women's Choir, present *A Child's Christmas in Wales* read by John Hancock, a familiar voice from CBC, on Dec. 4 at 4 pm at First Baptist Church, Halifax. Tickets – \$20, \$10 student – at www.halifaxcamerata.org, and at the door.

The Annual RCCO Carol Service at the Cathedral Church of All Saints on Tower Rd. will be held on Monday, Dec 5 at 7 pm. Free will Offering.

Christmas is all about GIVING!

Concert @ the fort. Start your Christmas Season off by listening to the Halifax Girls Honour Choir here at Fort Massey on Wed, Nov 30, at 7:00 pm. There will be a free-will offering and reception to follow.

Phoenix House Snack Program. Nov 28-Dec 2. We need \$175, plus food items: fruit Cups/apple sauce (single servings), canned soups, canned meats & fish, hot chocolate, spaghetti & pasta sauce, "Ensure" meal replacement drinks, baby formula & food.

Phoenix House Nutcracker Luncheon, Tue, Dec 13, 11:45 am -1:45 pm, World Trade & Convention Centre. \$75/60 Sr. Call 405-3078.

Brunswick St. Mission Pewter Tree Ornaments. \$15. See the minister for your order.

Christmas Outreach. Pre-Order (alia@nspirg.org) Samosas to Support the Chaudhry Family! Order before noon on Tues Pick up Wed 11:30am – 2 pm in the NSPIRG Office, room 314 DAL Student Union Building. \$2.75 or 2/\$5.

Mission to Seafarers Christmas bags are due Dec 15th. Our goal is 50 bags!

Fair Trade "Breaking the Silence" Just Us! Coffee from and in support of a Guatemalan coffee farmers' cooperative that is a longstanding partner of Tatamagouche Centre and the Maritimes-Guatemala solidarity network "Breaking the Silence"; and Fair Trade Zatoun Olive Oil, Olive Oil Soap, and Za'atar spices – from and in support of farmers in Palestine and peace with justice in the Holy Land. To purchase the coffee wholesale and in bulk, contact Just Us! 1-888-NOT-THEM (668-8436); and/or to purchase the Zatoun olive oil and other Palestinian products, contact Linda Scherzinger 425-0339.

140 years old, and counting...

FMC's 140th Anniversary takes place this year on Sunday, Dec 4, at 10:30 am. Guest Preacher is the Rev'd Vince Ihasz, Bethany United Church, Halifax. Our luncheon reception will follow. **We need** ingredients for the fish chowder, as well as sandwiches. Please check the easel board in the Tobin St. lobby for the sign-up sheet. We'll also need a work party to make the chowder Dec 2, 1-3 pm.



Runners United For Change



Runners Unite! Care for Our Bodies and Care for the World

Church people are very good at looking after others. They give time and energy to the church, to their families, to their communities and to pretty much anyone in need. The problem is, sometimes they're not so good at looking after themselves. They get tired and worn out. But what if they could do something for themselves at the same time as doing something for others?

The Maritime Conference Stewardship Committee wants to offer you the chance to care for yourself while caring for the world. The Committee is organizing Runners United for Change, which encourages church people to run in the Halifax Blue Nose half marathon to raise money for the Mission and Service Fund. The half marathon is 21.1km and takes place May 20th, 2012. Participants will be able to ask friends, family and church members to sponsor them to run in the race, with all donations going to M&S.

Thinking you can barely run around the block, let alone run 21 kilometers? Then you're just who we're looking for! The Committee will be offering individual training programs, ranging from new runners to the super fit. You don't have to run the whole thing, you can alternate running and walking or just walk. It doesn't matter how long you take as long as you try. And if 21km truly feels like too much, you can try the 10km instead.

This is your chance to take time for yourself, get in shape and make a difference in the world. Unite with us and run for a better world!

Please contact Keltie van Binsbergen at sjminister@eastlink.ca or 902-868-1990 for more information or to get started on your running program.