

Welcome to Fort Massey by-the-Sea ~ where life and faith meet ~

Welcome. 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 **lemonade**. Our **Church School** meets in the lower hall after the children's story in worship. **The Nursery**, located off the Tobin St. lobby, is staffed and available for pre-school children.

Coffee & Conversation will be starting up again on Oct 2nd. *Sign-up* in the Tobin St. lobby.

Newsletter deadline is Oct 3rd. Leave with the church office before noon on Sep 30th or send to *Holly MacIntosh Benninger* at <dundee@seasidehighspeed.com>

CD Player Needed. If you have one you're not using, please call the Church Office. The Church School is in need of one. Thank you.

Brunswick St. Mission is looking for coffee mugs. Place in container outside the minister's office. Thank you.

In the Community

Organist, Thomas Annand, "In Recital" - Bach, Stanley, Sweelinck, Buxtehude, Praetorius, Pachelbel - on Tue, Sep 27, 7:30 pm at St. James Anglican Church, Halifax (in-the-Rotary). Admission \$10. Presented by The RCCO - Halifax Centre.

Canada's violin virtuoso, Jasper Wood with David Riley, piano. Music by Mozart, Debussy & Gershwin. Sun, Oct 2, 7:30 pm - Lilian Piercy Concert Hall, 6199 Chebucto Rd. \$25, \$20 & \$10. www.stcecilia.ca

Mental Illness Awareness Week, Oct 2-8. The Schizophrenia Society of NS presents the movie *The Soloist* at the Oxford Theatre, Oct 2, 12:30 pm. Adults - \$10; Seniors - \$6; and free for the unwaged.

Food Fight. FEED NOVA SCOTIA is asking for your support in the Great Canadian Food Fight, a cross-country food drive where cities compete to see who can collect and weight the most food in 48 hours, October 13-15. **We will be collecting food in our special brown paper bags the next two Sundays during the offering.** Your support will make a big difference for those in need.

The Truth & Reconciliation Commission of Canada meets in Halifax Oct 26-29. Check out their web site <trc.ca> to see how you can be involved! Info in Tobin St. lobby.

Attention all Crafters! October 29th from 9:00 - 2:00 there will be a craft show at Bedford United Church in support of Camp Kidston. Table Rentals are \$25.00 (you keep your sale profits). Tables are going fast so if you are interested please contact Michelle Pottie at mapottie@yahoo.ca as soon as possible!

FORT MASSEY CHURCH

Watching over Halifax harbour since 1871

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada



The _____ River

Creation Time

15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 a.m., September 25, 2011

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Minister
TBA, Student Minister
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator
Sancia Knorr, SS Co-ordinator
Alasdair Sinclair, Clerk of Session
Alan G. Hayman, Senior Trustee
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Elaine Janson, Nursery
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FORT MASSEY AT WORSHIP

* indicates standing for those

*ENTRY INTO CELEBRATION

The bell is sounded three times

*LIGHTING OF THE COMMUNITY CANDLE

The candle is lit

*OPENING SENTENCES

*We invite the rivers to worship with us:
the Mersey, Annapolis & LaHave,
the Shubenacadie and St. Mary's,
the Mira and Aspy,
all the streams that flow to the sea.*

We invite the country creeks to sing:

trout streams and gleaming fountains.

We invite the fauna to praise God with us:

dragonflies and sleepy tortoises.

We join with the waters in praising God:

*waterfalls singing upstream,
and waves dancing at the river mouth.*

We celebrate the song of the river!

Sing, river, sing!

*PRAYER OF AWARENESS

We pray:

*Creating God, we celebrate your refreshing presence
among us and our kin in creation,
especially in the rivers, the creeks and the wetlands of Earth.
May our spirits be lifted to rejoice with
the vibrant world of the rivers.
Amen.*

*OPENING HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River

VU 710

*THE PEACE

*The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.
You are invited to share the peace with your neighbours*

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Carol Sinclair

OFFERING

Offertory River Running in You and Me

MV 163

* Response:

VU 543

*We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God, from thee.*

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH THEIR MINISTER

PRAYER & JESUS' PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

VU 921

*HYMN

*Peace (Love, Hope) is flowing like a river, flowing out
through you and me-- spreading out into the de-sert,
setting all the captives free.*

Children leave for Church School during the hymn

SILENCE

PASTORAL PRAYER

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Andantino

J. Arcadelt, 16th cent.

READINGS

ANTHEM

Water Flowing from the Mountains

Ian Macdonald and Gordon Light

CONTEMPORARY WORD – Rev. Trent

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A New Creed

VU 918

*CLOSING HYMN

Called by Earthy and Sky

MV 135

*WORDS OF MISSION

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...

The candle is extinguished

Will you care for creation?

We will care for creation!

We will nurture the rivers!

We will celebrate life!

This we know, the earth does not belong to us,

We belong to the earth.

*BLESSING WORDS

POSTLUDE

Water Music

George Frederick Handel

At the Kirk...

Mon	11-1	Church Hall/Cornwallis Park	South End Playgroup
Mon	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Mon	7:30 pm	Sanctuary	Choir Practice – <u>Note Change</u>
Tue	10 am, Oct 4	Isabel Robertson's	Next Women's Coffee Group
Tue	5-7 pm	St. Andrew's UC	University Student Suppers
Tue	6 pm	Gym	Men's Basketball
Tue	6:30 pm	Minister's Study	Outreach Committee
Tue	7:30 pm	Lower Hall	Kirk Session
Wed	9:30-11:30 am (2 nd & 4 th Wednesdays of the month) in partnership with	Lower Hall	Breastfeeding Support Public Health
Wed	10-11:30 am	Church Hall	Japanese Playgroup
Wed	3-4:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Wed	7:30 pm	Minister's Study	Finance Committee
Thu	10:30 am, Oct 6	Minister's Study	Spirit Connectors
Thu	11am -1pm	Lower Hall	Weight Watchers
Thu	6 pm	Gym	Men's Floor hockey
Thu	7:30 pm	Parlour	UCW
Fri	9:30 am, Oct 14	Cousin's Restaurant	Men's Breakfast
Fri	10-11:30 pm	Lower Hall	Acupuncture Class
Fri	6-7 pm	Gym	Choi Kwang Do
Fri	6-8 pm	St. Andrew's UC	Chaudhry Celebration Supper
Sun	10 am	Sanctuary	Choir Practice
Sun	10:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship
Sun	10:45 am	Lower Hall & Nursery	Church School & Nursery
Sun	11:30 am	Lower Hall	Refreshment & Conversation
Sun	3-4 pm	Lower Hall	Choi Kwang Do

You will also hear a bagpiper practicing from time to time.

Fort Massey Choir welcomes new singers. Rehearsals are Weds 7:30-9pm, and Sundays at 10. Contact Pierre at pperron@dal.ca or 425-5205.

Fort Massey UCW Fall General Meeting, Thu, **Sep 29**, 7:30 pm, in the church parlour. Agenda includes planning for the Harvest Tea (Oct 15) and the Christmas Tea & Sale (Nov 19). Bring an item for *Hope Cottage or Adsum House*. Light refreshments. We especially *welcome* any new women.

Our Spirit Connectors group will be reading Harvey Cox's book, *The Future of Faith*, and Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *An Altar in the World*, this fall/winter on Thursdays at 10:30 am, beginning **Oct 6**. Can be purchased or ordered at any bookstore, or on-line, and are available in paperback.

Annual Harvest Tea, Sat, Oct 15, 2-4 pm. Bake Table. Entertainment by Kevin Robarts. Free will offering. Need 12 people to make sandwiches (double loaves), 8 people to make squares, and 5 people to make 2 doz. cookies each. *No nuts, please*. Sign-up sheet is in the Tobin St. lobby on the easel board.

Phantoms of the Pipes XIV coming to FMC Oct 29, 7:30 PM. The scariest show in town.