

Stairs Memorial United Church
"Rising Together in Faith"
Weekly Announcements
June 23, 2017

Starting in July, for the summer months, we will have our coffee time before service in the narthex area. Coffee time will begin at 10:15 and will last 30 minutes with service commencing at 10:45 and ending at 11:30 AM.

Communication Center - At the back of the sanctuary is a board where we will try to communicate everything that is going on. This is where you can sign up to indicate your interest in events. If you would like to initiate an activity of any kind at Stairs, you are welcome to fill out one of the forms on the bulletin board and put it in the envelope, and an elder will be in touch with you shortly.



Fair Trade seeks to change the terms of trade for the products we buy - to ensure farmers and artisans behind those products get a better deal. Fair Trade products are available for purchase during coffee time most Sundays.

Church Offering

Offering, June 18 \$806.55

Online giving: If you prefer to give online, there is a "donation" button available on the Stairs website: www.stairsmemorial.ca

We are trying to be environmentally conscious. If you read the announcements online, please don't take a paper copy on Sunday. Also, please only take one copy per family. Thank you.

Upcoming Worship Hosts

June 25 Annette Gilroy

July 2 Annette Gilroy

July 9 Trudy VanRooyen

Card Campaign - Cash cards will be available to purchase this Sunday at coffeetime and you can purchase them from the office with one day's notice.

The **Annual Strawberry Shortcake Take-Out Dinner** will be held July 11th from 2 – 4 PM. This fundraiser involves everyone. You will be contacted to help with supplies and to see if you are available to work at this event. Your support is needed and always appreciated.

Menu: Ham, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Tomato, Cucumber, Lettuce & Roll. Dessert: Homemade Tea Biscuit, Fresh Strawberries with Real Cream. Cost: \$12. Tickets are now available.

Attention all board and committee members: Please pick up your tickets Sunday from Sandra.

The first Sunday of each month is designated Canned Milk Sunday. Those who are able are asked to bring in canned milk for the foodbank on the first Sunday of each month. Thank you.

There are a number of people who worship among us who are quite sensitive to scents. For the comfort of those around you, please avoid using perfumes, colognes or heavily scented products when coming to the church. Thank you.

The Readers' Circle will gather again in the Fall. Our next novel will be "Still Alice" by Lisa Genova. All are welcome to read the book and join us for discussion.

Spirit Café:

Come and enjoy fellowship and faith-based discussion on 4 July, at Spirit Cafe, a series of non-traditional spiritual gatherings sponsored by Dartmouth United Churches. The topic for the first Tuesday in July is "Language: Singing the LORD's song in a strange land. Do others understand us? Can you talk your kids language?"

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Emergency Contact: In the event of a pastoral emergency, please call 902 469 4472 or 902 466 4053.

Building Security

Please be sure to check that all exterior doors are locked when leaving the building.

Blessing Field Trip

Cole Harbor Heritage Farm, July 8th 2-4pm, 471 Poplar Drive

Come bless the animals and have some strawberry shortcake!

"Our famous, super-sized strawberry shortcake, fresh local strawberries and real cream served with homemade lemonade and enjoyed in the farmyard. Live musical entertainment."

This event requires ticket purchase. Advance and Walk-In Tickets. Pre-purchase tickets are available. Main: 902-434-0222 - Tearoom: 902-462-0154.
