

Stairs Memorial United Church  
"Rising Together in Faith"  
Weekly Announcements  
July 14, 2017

Rev Sarah is on vacation for the month of July. This Sunday our service will be led by Annette Gilroy

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For the summer months, we will be hosting 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.

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**Stairs' Contact Information:**

Rev. Sarah Reaburn: sreaburn@eastlink.ca  
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**Emergency Contact:** In the event of a pastoral emergency, please call 902 469 4472 or 902-403-6927.

The church office is now closed. Rev. Sarah is on holidays for the month of July and I will be back in the office on August 15. For emergency pastoral care please refer to the emergency contact information above. Thank you.

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**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.

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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.

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Church Offering

Offering, July 9                      \$ 540.

**Online giving:** If you prefer to give online, there is a "donation" button available on the Stairs website: [www.stairsmemorial.ca](http://www.stairsmemorial.ca)

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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.

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Well, it was another successful Strawberry Shortcake Dinner for Stairs again this year thanks to everyone's contributions and hard work. We had a great crew on Monday evening and another all day Tuesday. We prepared 250 meals and made \$2600 to add to our funds. Sandra J.

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**Upcoming Worship Hosts**

July 16 Nellie Clyke                      July 23 Nellie Clyke                      July 30 Lorna Randall & Jim Bauld  
August 6 Gordon McKeen                      August 13 Nellie Clyke

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**Upcoming Tech Schedule**

July 16 Marlene Kemp                      July 23 Bruce Fraser                      July 30 Susan Kolesar  
August 6 Susan Burns                      August 13 Marlene Kemp                      August 20 Paul Ingram

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**Card Campaign** - Cash cards will be available to purchase this Sunday at coffeetime.

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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.

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**Spirit Cafe: Sing Along**

Spirit Cafe is a series of non-traditional spiritual gatherings sponsored by Dartmouth United Churches. Drop by Ma Belle's Cafe, 44 Ochterloney St, at 5:30 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of every month. First Tuesday: faith-based discussion. Third Tuesday: music. On Tuesday, July 18th, the music will be in a sing-along format, including a cappella singing, with minister/musician Rev. Ivan Gregan, A limited menu is available. Further information: 902-404-6598, or 902-466-5361

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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.

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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.

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**Building Security**

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

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