

Stairs Memorial United Church

Faith that Matters

Love that Matters

Community that Matters

Weekly Announcements

January 5, 2018

Upcoming:

Epiphany Sunday	January 7	10:30 AM	
Executive Meeting	January 8	7PM	parlour
Reader's Circle	January 18	12 Noon	parlour
Executive Presbyterial UCW	January 22	1PM	parlour

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.



The Fair Trade community includes individual citizens, schools, academics, unions, activists, religious organizations, and more, all unified in their desire to make the world a better place. Personalized Fair Trade Christmas packages are available for ordering from \$15 and up. Please see Lorna or Jim.

Stairs' Contact Information:

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

The new music minister is interested in talking to a range of musicians from our congregation for one-time team-ups (or more, depending). We are embarking on new works and are interested in percussion or guitar especially, but there are also opportunities for solo instruments e.g. violin, flute, etc. Please see Emanuel after service for more information.

Spirit Café is a series of non-traditional spiritual gatherings sponsored by Dartmouth United Churches. It is held at Ma Belle's Cafe, 44 Ochterloney St., Dartmouth, at 5:30 pm on the first and third Tuesdays of every month. First Tuesday: faith-based discussion. Third Tuesday: music in a sing-along format. Further information: 902-404-6598.

Church Finances: December

Church offering, December 31	\$ 1371.00
M&S	\$ 173.03
PAR	\$ 4308.37
Total offerings for month	\$ 8592.00

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

Readers' Circle will meet again January 18 at noon. Our book will be The Birthday Lunch by Joan Clark. Joan grew up in Nova Scotia.

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

January 7 Kathleen Cameron January 14 Annette Gilroy January 21 Annette Gilroy

Card Campaign - Cash cards will be available to purchase this Sunday at coffee time or at the church office with usually one day's notice.

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.

Building Security

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

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.

On Sunday, January 14 the 16th Wave Metro New Horizons band program will begin with an instrument demonstration and experimentation session above the Long & McQuade store in Dartmouth starting at 1:00 p.m. All are welcome and no previous experience is necessary.
