

Stairs Memorial United Church
Faith that Matters
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Weekly Announcements for May 19th, 2019

Stairs' Contact Information

Church Office	Office Hours: Mondays & Tuesdays 9am to 3pm 902-466-4389, stairsmemorial@eastlink.ca
Facebook	Stairs Memorial United Church
Website	www.stairsmemorial.ca

Emergency Contact

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

Upcoming Services and Events

Spirit Café Music Night

Tuesday, May 21st from 5:30 to 6:45pm at the Wooden Monkey Restaurant, Alderney Place Dartmouth
Please join us for food and great music with our music lead Adam Johnson; for information: 902-476-1280

UCW Spring Thankoffering Service

Sunday, May 26th at 10:30am

UCW Food Bingo

Saturday, June 1st from 2 to 4 pm; \$10 for 3 cards (no separate admission fee)

An Indigenous Earthy Spirituality with Adrian Jacobs

Workshop on Indigenous Spirituality hosted at Atlantic School of Theology
June 14th from 9am to 4pm and June 15th from 9am to 12pm

Sarah is going to this event and would welcome you to join her. More information or to register at
<http://www.astheology.ns.ca/con-ed/winter-2019/an-indigenous-earthy-spirituality>

UCW Spring Breakfast

Saturday, June 15th from 8 to 9:30am; price is \$8

ABBA Tribute Concert

Saturday, June 15th at 7pm – rescheduled date; tickets are \$15

Upcoming Worship Hosts

May 19 Christine E.	May 26 Susan T.	June 2 Annette G.
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Upcoming Coffeetime Hosts

May 19 Choir	May 26 UCW	June 2 Mission & Outreach
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Angela MacLean, who was our minister last year when Sarah was on sabbatical, is being ordained next weekend at the annual Regional Meeting. You are invited to hold her in your prayers, and also to sign the card at church congratulating her.

Acknowledgements

*A donation has been made in memory of Betty Franklin
to Stairs Memorial by Helen Gaetz*

*A donation has been made in memory of Marjorie Ells
to Stairs Memorial by the family*

*A donation has been made in memory of Lillian Randall
to Stairs Memorial by Dorothy Faye Smith*



Connecting Our Stories:

Exploring the Nuances of how the Bible story connects to ours

an Adult Study on Tuesdays 10am – 11:45am

April 23rd & 30th, May 14th & 21st

at Port Wallis United Church

263 Waverly Road

Facilitated by Rev. Stephen Fram, Sponsored by United Churches for Dartmouth

CAN YOU HELP WITH OUR SPRUCE UP/CLEAN UP DAY?

From 9am to noon, Thursday, 23 May, we are doing a spring cleanup. Your help could be in the form of lending a hand, or also in the form of suggesting things which you have noticed that require some attention. Just some of the things that could be done: cleaning pews, cleaning flower bed near the door to the office, removing garbage from enclosure at rear of church, organizing keys, identifying electrical circuit breaker pathways, sanding/painting outside door trim, maybe even painting parking lot lines. Please let me know if you can come and any special equipment needed, or use the sign-up sheet in the communication centre.

Bruce Fraser, Co-Chair (Property) of P&F Committee 902-404-6598



Please join us for our very first Food Bingo at Stairs on Saturday, June 1st from 2 to 4 pm

We can't do this without you! Your help is greatly needed for the following:

- 2 people to walk the floor to answer questions;
- 1 person to work 2 tables - the flea market and books table;
- People needed to bake desserts (to be purchased with tea/coffee);
- 1 person needed to work in the kitchen, give out desserts/coffee/tea, and collect monies;
- 1 person needed for the door to sell bingo cards;
- 1 person needed to call out bingo numbers and one to assist
- Does anyone have any items that could be donated to be raffled off?

Please contact Vivien or Rhonda: j.v.morgan@ns.sympatico.ca, burketiggerbear@ns.sympatico.ca

Thank you - we look forward to a very successful first Food Bingo and to many more!



If you have any of the following, please consider bringing them with you for the day:

- A water bottle - to stay hydrated
- Bug-spray / sunscreen. and sun hat - to stay healthy
- Chain saw or axe - to help with trail clearing and downed trees
- Work gloves and wheelbarrows - for moving brush and wood
- Hammers, cordless tools and measuring tapes - for cabin work and bridge building
- Camping skills - for testing out-trip stoves and other supplies
- Shovels and rakes to clean the beach and fill holes

A member of the Kidston Alumni has agreed to match any donations made to the sponsorship fund between April 28th and June 1st, up to a maximum of \$5000. This means that a gift of \$340 will allow two young people to experience a week at camp.

Donations to Kidston's Sponsorship Fund can be made by cheque to:

PO Box 48011, Mill Cove PO
Bedford, NS, B4A 3Z2

or by credit card at <http://campkidston.campbrainregistration.com>

All donations are tax deductible – thank you!

Looking Ahead to the Fall

Readers' Circle will meet September 26th at noon to discuss the book "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult.

Community Events

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser with Concert

Saturday, May 18th from 5 to 8pm at Stairs Memorial United Church

To raise funds for a wheelchair van for Louisa Jane Porter

Door prizes draws and music from local artists following the meal; seating for 100 available

Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 children; donations also welcome at the door

Please contact Trevor Kolesar at 902-449-8787 for tickets

Nova Scotia Leadership Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, May 21st at 7:15am (for 7:30am start) at the Cunard Centre, Halifax

Guest speaker: Ryan Walter, former NHL-er who will present stories of Leadership in Faith, Sports & Business
Present will be men and women from business, the professions, the church, education, the military, politics, as well as some aspiring youth. Special music will be presented by the NS Mass Choir. Please check the website for personal and table reservations and ticket information: <https://nslpb.ca>

Perennial Sale, Bake Sale and Flea Market

Saturday, May 25th from 8am to noon at Grace United Church

Come early for the best selection and don't miss the free draw for two gardening gift baskets - rain or shine

Celebration Hymn Sing

Sunday, June 2nd at 7pm at St. James United Church, Dartmouth

Enjoy an evening singing some of your favourite hymns, accompanied by Dean Brandshaw & Guest Musicians

Reception hosted by UCW; free will offering

St. Paul's Church, 197 Windmill Road

Food Bingo

Saturday, May 25th and June 1st from 2 to 4pm, cards: \$10, contact Paul at 902-463-5962

Last Loonie/Toonie Coffee House of the Season

Wednesday, May 29th from 7 to 9pm, admission: \$2

Youth Community Announcements

Job Opportunity

Christ Church (61 Dundas Street, Dartmouth) has a job opening for a Summer Groundskeeper. The job starts on Monday, June 3rd and ends August 23rd, 2019 (12 weeks). The hours are 9am to 4pm, Monday to Friday. This would be an ideal job for a university student, whose school year has ended. For further information or to send a resume please use the e-mail address: christchurch@christchurchdartmouth.com

Christ Church Choral Camp 2019

During this one-week (Monday-Sunday) day camp, young singers will get the opportunity to learn and perform a wide range of styles of choral music from ancient to contemporary. They will experience vocal training, develop listening and music reading skills, work with choral and other professional musicians and perform in the amazing end-of-camp concert – all while having fun rehearsing, playing games and other activities! Camp dates are July 22nd to 28th from 9am to 4pm (early drop-off and late pick-up are available), early bird price of \$100/child if registration is received by May 31st or \$125.00/child starting June 1st. For more details or to register, visit our website at <https://www.christchurchdartmouth.com/choral-camp-2019.html> or for enquiries, contact Candace Vieira at cvieira@sutherlandwatt.ca or call/text 902-430-6118. Open to all denominations and musical abilities. This will be a unique and amazing musical experience.