Annual Meeting, February 16, 11:30 am, lower hall. Storm date is Feb 23.

<u>Sandwich ingredients</u> are needed for the Annual Meeting Lunch on Feb 16. Signup in the Tobin St. lobby. We will be making the sandwiches on Saturday, Feb 15, at 10:30 am in the church kitchen

<u>The Caledonian Scottish Fiddle Orchestra</u> of Nova Scotia will perform at Bedford United Church, today, at 2:30 PM, in support of *Arthur Kidston Memorial Camp* and their summer programs.

Our student minister, Heather Ferrier, will be leading an educational series, "The Seeds of a Speech", Mondays in February, 6-7:30 PM, in the church hall. We will use video, small-group discussion, and activities to explore the Rev'd Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech. Together, the group will explore the historical, cultural, and Biblical origins of this famous speech. How has King's dream been realized, where has the dream gone unfulfilled, and what can we learn about becoming an intercultural church? Please speak to Heather if you have any questions or are interested in participating in this series.

<u>Valentine Tea</u> will be held on Saturday, Feb 8th, 2-4 PM. Bake Table. Sign-up sheet in the Tobin St lobby for sandwiches, cookies & squares. NO NUTS, please. Music provided by harpist, *Valerie Bellamy*. Goodwill offering.

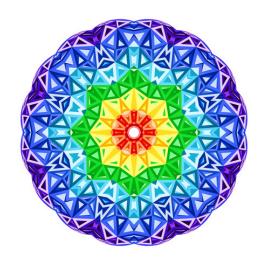
<u>Sleigh Ride</u>, Hatfield Farm, Feb 8, 2-4 PM, \$15. In support of *Angels of Hope* Relay for Life Team. Contact Kari Robertson at 429-7089.

On February 9th the Shining Lights Choir will be sharing their ministry of music with us during the service! They are a choir of adults who have firsthand experience with homelessness, and their current director is our very own Leah Collins Lipsett. The choir is run and funded by the Metro Non-Profit Housing Association. Since many of Shining Lights' members have difficulty with mobility, if there are any congregation members who would be available to drive choir members from Gottingen St to Ft. Massey and back again on Feb 9th, that would be much appreciated. Contact Leah at leahgel@gmail.com. Thank you!

Observer Renewal is due before Feb 28. Please include your \$20 in your offering envelope or a separate envelope marking it "Observer Renewal". New subscribers and cancellations are asked to contact *Irene Parks* at 422-7996 (evenings) by Jan 31st. Thank You.

Fort Massey by-the-Sea

A Congregation of The United Church of Canada Watching over Halifax Harbour c. 1871 ~ transforming God to a verb ~



Fourth Sunday after Epiphany ~ 10: 30 am, February 2, 2014

Trent D. Cleveland-Thompson, Pastor
Simon Abbott, Organist & Music Director
Leah Collins Lipsett, Pianist & Jr. Choir Director
Richard & Carol Robinson, Sextons
Colleen Estabrooks, M&S Enthusiast
Sancia Knorr, Church School
Kathy Cochrane, Office Administrator
Alison McDonald, Clerk of Session
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Maddy Spicer, Assistant Administrator
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ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

PRELUDE

The Trinity Bell is rung and the Community Candle lit.

OPENING WORDS

*OPENING HYMN This Day God Gives Me VU 410

THE PEACE May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION - Angus McDonald

OFFERINGS

Offertory:

Response: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

praise God all creatures high and low; Give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One. Amen. Standing, as the offering plates are brought forward.

CHILDREN'S TIME "According to the Directions"

PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

*HYMN When You Walk from Here VU 298

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN (remaining seated) I am the Dream MV 106

READINGS Excerpt from Robert Fulghum "Jumper Cables"

From The Bible: II Samuel 11: 1-3; 14-17

Offered as wisdom for the journey. May we walk in its light.

ANTHEM

SERMON A Power Boost – *Rev. Trent*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH A New Creed VU 918

*CLOSING HYMN All the Way My Saviour Leads Me VU 635

*PARTING WORDS

CHORAL RESPONSE Go Now In Peace Don Besig

POSTLUDE

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<u>Welcome</u> to Fort Massey. A special welcome to our **visitors**. We are delighted to have you joining us at our Sunday Gathering. You are invited to sign our Guest Book; if you're looking for a church home, please fill out a **Welcome Card** at the left of the main doors upon exiting the nave, leaving it with the **guest book**. Join us after the Service for Coffee & Conversation as we celebrate the Chinese New Year. Those interested in going out for lunch at *Happy Garden Restaurant* (formerly Mr. Chang's) on the corner of Birmingham and Morris are asked to meet together in the Tobin St. lobby at 12:30 pm. Special thanks to Angie Ngu for organizing today.

This Week @ the fort ...

- Organ repairs, all this week, Sanctuary
- Women's Coffee Group, Tue, 10 AM, Isabel Robertson's
- Cozy Wear Outreach Project, Tue, 1 PM, Lower Hall
- YOGA with Jenny, Tue at 7 PM, Lower Hall
- Board of Management, Tue, 7:30 PM, Parlour
- Spirit Connectors, Thu, 10:30 AM, The Berkeley on Green St.
- Memorial Service, Thu, 2 PM, Sanctuary
- Choir Practice, Thu, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary
- Men's Breakfast, Fri, 9:30 AM, Athens Restaurant
- Valentine Tea, Sat, Feb 8, 2-4 PM, Lower Hall

Coming Up @ the fort...

Annual Meeting Working Lunch, Sunday, Feb 16, 11:30 AM, Lower Hall Hockey Night in Halifax, Sat, Mar 15, HFX Metro Centre, Irish Stew Luncheon, Sunday, Mar 16, 11:30 AM, Lower Hall

Sunday Speakers @ the fort: Heather Ferrier preaching February 16th

David Griffiths speaking on March 9th

"Trekking Through Life -- Reflections on a Month in Nepal"

<u>A memorial donation</u> has been made by *David Griffiths* in loving memory of his mother, the Rev'd Betty Griffith-Ling, (9 August 1918 – 31 January 2009).

<u>Our Sympathy</u> to *Doris Baker*, and daughter, *Susan*, on the death of husband and father, Gordon Baker, on Jan 30th. A Memorial Service will be held from Fort Massey on Thursday, Feb 6th at 2 pm. Snow date Friday, Feb 7, 2 pm.

<u>Our Haggis Lunch</u> has been re-scheduled to National Tartan Day on Sunday, April 6 at 11:30 am. A 'Blessing of the Tartan' will be observed during the 10:30 Service.

<u>Camp Kidston job applications</u> for summer 2014, are now available on the camp website at http://www.campkidston.com/jobs_volunteers.htm

<u>Taize Prayer</u> TONIGHT at 7, St. John's United Church, Halifax, in the Judith Grant Room at the Maritime Conservatory, 6199 Chebucto Rd.