The Gathering @ Fort Massey

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

Epiphany Sunday ~ 10: 30 am, January 5, 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 Heather Ferrier, Student Minister John Walter, Assistant Organist Kevin Robarts, Flutist Ian MacDonald, Tech Support Elliott Prouty, OFM, Head Usher Janna Janson, Nursery

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ORDER of SERVICE

* indicates standing for those who are able

PRELUDE "Mass for Convents" by Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

*PROCESSIONAL The First Nowell VU 91

The Trinity Bell is rung and the Community Candle lit.

OPENING WORDS

THE PEACE Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERINGS

Offertory Hymn: As With Gladness Men of Old (seated) VU 81

Standing on v. 5 as the offering plates are brought forward.

CHILDREN'S TIME "Always Room for More"

PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS

MUSICAL REFLECTION "Reflections" composed by Kevin Robarts

Kevin Robarts, piano

READINGS Excerpt from an online blog; Ecclesiastes 3:1-7

SOLO Faure's "Pie Jesu" with *Valerie Bellamy*

SERMON Time Travel – *Rev. Trent*

*COMMUNION HYMN In the Darkness Shines the Splendour VU 92

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN When Heaven's Bright with Mystery VU 93

PARTING WORDS

POSTLUDE "Dialogue" by Couperin

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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 for **Coffee & Conversation** in the lower hall; host is – *Irene Parks*. Coffee & Conversation sign-up sheet is on the easel in the Tobin St. lobby.

<u>Our sympathy</u> to *Betty Easton and family* on the death of her husband, Kenneth Easton, who died at home on December 27, 2013. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

<u>In Hospital</u>: Archie Rasley (Camp Hill Veterans)

<u>Available TODAY</u>: Jan-Feb-Mar 2014 Devotionals "These Days" is available in the Tobin St. lobby. \$4 optional in the offering plate.

This Week @ the fort ...

- Women's Coffee Group, Tue, 10 AM, Kathy Evans
- 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.
- Choir Practice, Thu, 7:30 PM, Sanctuary
- Men's Breakfast, Fri, 9:30 AM, Athens Restaurant
- Nominating Committee, next Sunday, 10 AM, Minister's Study
- Annual UCW Meeting, next Sunday, 11:30 AM, Parlour (Brown Bag Lunch)

Coming Up @ the fort...

Robbie Burns Celebration, Sunday, Jan 26, 11:30 AM, Lower Hall Chinese New Year Celebration, Sunday, Feb 2, 11:30 AM, Lower Hall Valentine Tea, Sat, Feb 8, 2-4 PM, Lower Hall 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

<u>Annual General Meeting for Camp Kidston</u>, January 8, 2014 at 8 pm in the parlour at Bedford United Church. All Presbyters and anyone with an interest in the Kidston Ministry is welcome to attend.