

**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
Corner of George & Brookland Streets  
Sydney, NS  
[www.bethelpresbyterianchurch.ca](http://www.bethelpresbyterianchurch.ca)  
Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016



Mission Statement

***Our vision is to be a local community of believers where:***

- Jesus Christ is head;
- The Bible has the ultimate authority as the true, infallible and complete Word of God;
- Salvation through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and belief in His finished work on the cross is preached;
- The Gospel of Christ is spread in our community, our nation and around the world in both work and action;
- Believers encourage each other and hold others in higher regard than themselves so that each may use the gifts God has given him/her to the glory of God.

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**Fall Communion Services  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.**

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Jennifer March

Reader

Todd Gouthro

**We Gather Together – Our Approach to God**

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration and Approach

Hymn # 428                      We love your house, O God

Prayer of Confession

**We Hear God's Word**

O. T. Lesson:                      Lamentations 1: 1-6, 3: 19-26                      (p.581)

Responsive Psalm #              37: 1-9    (p.398)

Anthem                                      There is a river

Hymn # 698                              Saviour, teach me day by day

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson              2 Timothy 1: 1-14    (p.842)

N. T. Gospel Lesson              Luke 17: 5-10    (p.741)

Sermon                                      **Where faith matters**

**Our Response to God**

Hymn # 681                              We have heard a joyful sound

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering & Offertory

Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Dedication

(Elders will take their place at the Communion Table, those sitting in the balcony and wanting to take part in the Communion service and the choir will come down into the main sanctuary during the singing of this hymn.)

Reception of New Member

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn # 548                      Let us break bread together  
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

## **We go out in service to the Lord**

Hymn # 775                      Sent forth by your blessing  
Benediction & Choral Amen  
Postlude

## **WELCOME**

We welcome everyone to this service of worship this Lord's Day and pray that this will be a time of blessing for all. Today we are receiving by Affirmation of Faith into the membership of the congregation Melanie Lyle. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty today are Kathy, Heather, Thelma and Kay.

## **Samaritan Shoe Boxes**

Samaritan shoe boxes are available today following the service.

Gift suggestions: toys, school supplies, non-liquid hygiene supplies, a personal note and photo. DO NOT include: food, candy, toothpaste, or other liquids or breakable items.

Pray for the child who will receive your gift. Refer to enclosed pamphlet for full instructions. Please return your shoe box by Sunday November 13th. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions contact Nancy MacDonald or Joan Richardson.

**Nursery** Nancy MacDonald and Angela Gillespie  
**Next Sunday** Mildred MacLean and Catherine Sneddon

**Sunday School Shepherd**

- Bill Sneddon

**Greeter at the South Door**

- Ivan Henderson

**Greeter at the North Door**

Charles Greaves

**Greeter at the Choir Room Door**

- Wilrod Morrison

**Hospital Visitation**

Beth Matheson 727-2325 Ivan Henderson 564-1050

**Readings for next week**

Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7; Psalm 66: 1-12; 2 Timothy 2: 8-15; Luke 17: 11-19

**MEMORIALS**

**To the Sunday School Mission Fund**

- In memory of Jessie Livingstone from Dorothy MacDonald
- In memory of Jessie Livingstone from Frank & Flossie MacLean
- In memory of Jessie Livingstone from Eileen MacLean
- In memory of Jessie Livingstone from Bill & Mona Sneddon
- In memory of Jessie Livingstone from Kathryn Mahoney

**To the Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Howard "Nip" Hillier from Gordon & Wendy Ferguson
- In memory of Muriel MacCormack by Nelson & Donette MacCormack

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 7:00 p.m.

Monday Bible Study will continue based on the book "You'll get through this" by Max Lucado.

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| October 3   | 2. Down and out, but never alone                  |
| October 24  | 3. Stupid won't fix stupid                        |
| November 7  | 4. Is God good when life isn't                    |
| November 14 | 5. Now about those family scandals and Scoundrels |
| November 28 | 6. God can use this for good                      |

### Friday

**Ten Thousand Villages** is coming to Calvary Baptist Church!

Calvary Baptist Church is hosting a sale of beautiful, fairly-traded gifts benefiting artisans from more than 30 Developing countries.

Ten Thousand Villages is a project of Mennonite Central

Committee, the outreach arm of the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches in North America. The Festival Sale will be held

Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Saturday,

October 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Calvary Baptist Church, 6 Beech St., North Sydney. Admission is free. The gifts you buy at

the Ten Thousand Villages Sales will give the blessings of steady work, fair wages, and a better life for struggling families around

the world. For more information call the Church at 902-794-3909.

**Your purchase makes a difference! Every purchase is a gift to the world!**

### Saturday

John and Beth Matheson will be celebrating their **60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** on Saturday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>. Friends And relatives are

invited to attend an Open House at The Mira Seniors' &

Pensioners' Centre at Marion Bridge from 2 - 4 pm on Saturday

Come and join with their family in offering best wishes for many more years of health and happiness together. Best wishes only.

This year **Loaves and Fishes** is postponing its annual food drive (usually held at Thanksgiving time) until a later date. The reason for this is that No Frills grocery store and radio stations 98.3 the Max and 94.9 the Cape are sponsoring "Stuff the Bus".

This event takes place on **Saturday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>** from 8 am-5 pm on the No Frills parking lot. An empty bus will be on the parking area and the public is invited to fill the bus with bags of groceries for Loaves and Fishes. Delicious bar-b-que hot dogs and hamburgers will be available free, and all participants have a chance to win one of several excellent prizes.

"Stuff the Bus" is an excellent project that we hope you will support. It will be fun to see the bus fill up with bags of groceries, all of which are very much needed. On a daily basis, Loaves and Fishes feeds over 150 people each day and this requires a great deal of food. Remember Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> and do your part to help "Stuff the Bus"!

We are asking anyone who is willing to donate clothing for the Under One Umbrella-Cape Breton Winter Wear to bring what they are donating to the church hall on Saturday between 6 and 8 pm and it will be passed on. The following is a reminder of what they are looking for:

**This year we are asking churches for warm winter wear for all ages including mitts, gloves, winter hats, jackets, boots or other foot wear (winter boots are in high demand) and socks (new only).**

## ADVANCE NOTICES

The Rt. Hon Vincent Massey C.H. Chapter IODE presents **Autumn Treasures** an Exhibition & Sale of Paintings and Fine Art @ Grand Lake Road Fire Hall Thursday, Oct. 13 and Friday, Oct. 14 12:00pm -8:00pm. Opening Reception Wed. Oct. 12 @ 7-9pm. Proceeds to C.B. Community Service Project. Door prize: Framed Photograph by Kris Tynski - Refreshments available - Adm. \$3.

The **Fall Hymn Sing** will be held in Bethel Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm and all are invited to attend. The offering received that evening will be given to Loaves and Fishes and boxes have been placed in the vestibule of the church for donations of food. Items such as canned goods, packages of pasta, tea, coffee, sugar, etc. are very much needed and appreciated. Loaves and Fishes appreciates the support of the congregation and says "Thank you very much" on behalf of the 150+ people who depend on this facility for one hot nutritious meal every day.

**Cape Breton Women's Ecumenical Conference** November 4, 5, 6 at Inverary Inn, Baddeck. Theme "Making a Difference". For more info please contact Josephine @ 902-849-0275 or Lucy Nardine @ 902-562-8686 before October 17, 2016.

### **Mission Moments - October 5 is World Teachers' Day**

In addition to raising awareness about the importance of education for children, Presbyterian World Service & Development's girls education project in Afghanistan supports training for teachers. Workshops run by local partners help teachers improve the quality of learning for students and build lessons that help girls gain confidence and learn about their rights. Eight-year-old Zakira, inspired by her teachers and her love of learning, is determined to achieve her dreams. "I will become a teacher and teach children," she shares. Support for teachers in vulnerable communities means future generations are empowered to create a more sustainable, just world.

*PWS&D supports quality education for vulnerable communities*

## Presbyterian Record Ends in December—New Publication To Come

The Presbyterian Record magazine has faithfully served the church in Canada for 140 years. The recent decision made by Presbyterian Record Inc. to cease publication of the Record as of December 2016, is a loss for the denomination. In order to continue facilitating communication within the denomination, and to build upon the Presbyterian Record's legacy, the Life and Mission Agency will begin publication of a new resource that will merge some of the news and features once covered in the Record with educational and informational materials produced by the ministries, committees, and agencies of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. While the frequency and focus will be significantly different from the Record's, the purpose of this new publication will be to further equip leaders, connect congregations and missions, facilitate communication, and highlight denominational work—strengthening our denominational ties across the country. Stay tuned for more information about this exciting new publication, available over the coming months. *For more information or to offer suggestions for content, please contact Barb Summers, Associate Secretary, Communications, at 1-800-619-7301, ext. 243.*



## Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Prelude

Announcements

Reader

### **We Gather Together – Our Approach to God**

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration and Approach (The Lord's Prayer)

Hymn # 15                      The Lord's my light

Prayer of Confession

### **We hear from God's Word**

O.T. Lesson                      Genesis 2: 18-24                      (p. 2)

Res. Psalm #                      8                      (p. 386)

N.T. Epistle Lesson              Hebrews 1: 1-4; 2: 5-12              (p. 846)

N.T. Gospel Lesson              Mark 10: 2-16                      (p. 715)

Hymn # 677                      My faith looks up to thee

Sermon                      **Child-like**

### **Our Response to God**

Hymn # 645                      Follow me, the Master said

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering

Offertory

Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Dedication

The Apostles' Creed                      (p. 3)

Hymn # 543                      Here, O my Lord, I see thee              (vs. 1-3)

### **We go out in Service to the Lord**

Hymn # 543                      Too soon we rise                      (vs. 4-7)

Benediction & Choral Amen