

# **Bethel Presbyterian Church**

Corner of George & Brookland Streets  
Sydney, NS

[www.bethelpresbyterianchurch.ca](http://www.bethelpresbyterianchurch.ca)

Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017



## 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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## Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Elizabeth Matheson

Reader

Linda Greaves

### We Gather Together – Our Approach to God

Call to Worship

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

Hymn # 120                      Lo! He comes with clouds

Prayer of Confession

### We Hear God's Word

O. T. Lesson:                      Isaiah 49: 1-7    (p.520)

Responsive Psalm #              40: 1-11    (p.400)

Hymn # 373                          Jesus loves me

N.T. Epistle Lesson              1 Corinthians 1: 1-9                                      (p.806)

N.T. Gospel Lesson              John 1: 29-42    (p.750)

Sermon                              **The Lamb of God**

### Our Response to God

Hymn # 353                          Hail our once-rejected Jesus

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering

Offertory

Choir Anthem                      *Lamb of God*

Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Dedication

### We go out in service to the Lord

Hymn # 358                          There is a redeemer

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. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty today are Mona Sneddon and Sharon Morrison.

### **Winter months**

During the winter months if there is any uncertainty about services, we will leave a message on the office phone by 9:00 on Sunday mornings if the service is going to be cancelled, (902-562-3740)

### **Nursery**

**Today:** Shirley Adams and Sandra MacLean

**Next Sunday:** Linda Henderson and Thelma MacKillop

### **Sunday School Shepherd**

- Charlie Nicholson

### **Greeter at the North Door**

- Ben Furey

### **Greeter at the Choir Room Door**

- Brian Mikkelsen

### **Visiting the Hospital this week**

Beth Matheson 727-2325      Ivan Henderson 564-1050

### **Readings for next week**

Isaiah 9: 1-4; Psalm 27: 1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18; Matthew 4: 12-23

### **To the Current Fund**

- In memory of Frank MacLean from Sharon McKay
- In memory of Lillian Hagell and Pearl MacAulay from Eileen MacNeil

- In memory of Pearl MacAulay from Carl & Lorraine Rideout

### **To the Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Frank MacLean, Lillian Hagell and Pearl MacAulay from Byron & Iylah MacLeod

### **This Week**

The Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity gatherings will take place Monday, January 16 – Friday, January 20 from 12:10-12:50. These will be held in the hall. The theme this year is *“Reconciliation – The Love of Christ compels us” (2 Corinthians 5:14-20)*. All are invited to attend.

### **Monday**

**7:30 pm** Board of Managers meet in the Shaw Room.

### **Tuesday**

Men’s Breakfast in the Shaw Room at 8:45am.

### **Thursday**

**11:00 am** There will be a meeting of the volunteers for the Funeral Reception Committee following Bible Study. For information call Sandra MacLeod at 902-539-2467.

**7:30 pm** John Geddie AMS will meet in the Shaw Room. Group three will be in charge.

### **Annual Reports/Meeting**

Groups preparing reports should have them sent to the church office by January 23<sup>rd</sup> [bethelchurch@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:bethelchurch@ns.sympatico.ca) for inclusion in the Annual Report. The Annual Meeting this year will be held on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm. We will begin with a supper at 6:00 pm.

## **Advance Notice**

### **Outreach Committee**

The Committee will meet on **Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>** @ 7:00 in the library.

### **Session**

Regular Session Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:30 pm.

## **Mission Moments –Overcoming Obstacles in Ghana**

Adisah used to feel neglected by her family in Ghana. Because she was born with a hearing and speech impairment, Adisah was not given the opportunity to attend school. Years later, she received the care she needed at the Garu Community Based Rehabilitation Centre. The Centre—which assists people living with disabilities to overcome challenges and access vocational support—offered Adisah training in agricultural production. Adisah worked very hard and soon became a successful farmer. Together with her husband Salam, they are producing enough food for their three children. Salam recently remarked, “My wife is a blessing to me. I thank God for the support from the centre and PWS&D to make us what we are today”.

*PWS&D provides support to people living with disabilities*