

## **Bethel Presbyterian Church**

Corner of George & Brookland Streets  
Sydney, NS

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

Sunday, January 8<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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## **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 # 549                      For the bread which you have broken  
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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

Hymn # 369                      Blessing and honour and glory  
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 Ann, Heather & Sara MacQueen.

**Sympathy** is extended to the family of Alice Richards whose funeral was held yesterday at Sydney Memorial Chapel.

## **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:**                      Vivian Morrison and Sharon Morrison  
**Next Sunday:** Shirley Adams and Sandra MacLean

### **Sunday School Shepherd**

- Bill Sneddon

### **Greeter at the South Door**

- Gordon Ferguson

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

- Tom MacRae

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

Sandra MacLeod 539-2467

Larry Victory 562-0944

### **Readings for next week**

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

### **To the Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Lillian Hagell from Ivan & Linda Henderson
- In memory of Lillian Hagell from Catherine & David Sneddon
- In memory of our friends at Bethel who have passed in 2016 from Tom & Sue MacRae
- In memory of Allister MacLeod from Edna Taker
- In memory of Bertha and Duncan MacAulay from daughter Fannie
- In memory of John A. MacLeod from Philip and Donna MacLeod
- In memory of Frank MacLean from Josie and Lorraine Cruickshank
- In memory of Frank MacLean and Lillian Hagell from Mac Cameron
- In memory of Frank MacLean from Roy & Kaye Gallivan

## **To the Current Fund**

- In memory of Frank MacLean from Mildred Huntington
- In memory of Lillian Hagell from Catherine McCharles
- In memory of Frank MacLean from Karen Mudge
- In memory of Frank MacLean from Dirk & Sandra Krikke, Sydney Mines
- In memory of Frank MacLean, Lillian Hagell and Pearl MacAulay from Charles & Linda Greaves

## **To Camp MacLeod**

- In memory of Frank MacLean from Catherine McCharles
- In memory of Frank MacLean from Wayne & Mary Penny
- In memory of Frank MacLean and Rod MacNeil from Margie and Alice MacLeod

## **Gifts of Change**

- In memory of Dr. Philip & Ella MacDonald from Stephen & Catherine McCharles
- In memory of Frank MacLean "Grampie" from Amy & Jay, Terrance & Lindsey

## **Thank you**

The Christian Education Committee would like to thank the congregation for their generous support of the "Coins for Camp MacLeod" campaign. \$2031.50 was raised through the jars for Camp MacLeod.

## This week

### **Tuesday 9:00am**

Men's breakfast fellowship will start the year with a breakfast at Louann's café on Prince Street (Old Crowell's shop). New men are invited to join us. (We meet weekly on Tuesday mornings in the Shaw Room at 8:45am.)

**Thursday, January 12th.** Ladies' Bible Study will resume this week. Please prepare Lesson 7 for Thursday. See you in the Shaw Room.

### **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.

## Next Week

The Annual Week Of Prayer for Christian Unity gatherings will take place Monday, January 17 – Friday, January 21 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.

The next Board of Managers meeting will be **Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017** at 7:30 in the Shaw Room.

## Advance Notice

### **Outreach Committee**

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

## Mission Moments – Sharing God’s love

Antioch Community Church is a new congregation in Oakville, Ontario. Striving to build a strong foundation in the community, they participate in many programs that reach out to people in need– families who fall below the poverty line, stressed single parents and retirees that struggle to make ends meet. Members go door to door to collect food for a local food bank and work with Kerr Street Ministries to provide hope to people living in need. A community breakfast for ninety people helped Antioch build relationships while sharing a home-cooked meal. One member was inspired to collect donations for a second community breakfast. Antioch is a church where people can come together to serve and show God’s compassion, while reaching out in love to the community.

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**Winter Communion Service  
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.**

Prelude

Announcements

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

Call to Worship

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

Hymn # 18                      Through all the changing scenes of life

Prayer of Confession

**We hear from God's Word**

O.T. Lesson                      Isaiah 25:6-9

Res. Lesson                      34:1-8

N.T. Epistle Lesson              1 Corinthians 11:23-25

N.T. Gospel Lesson              Luke 24:13-35

Hymn # 442                      Speak, Lord, in the stillness

**Sermon                              Christ for us**

**Our Response to God**

Hymn # 332                      O Lord my God/How great thou art

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering

Offertory

Doxology (#661 vs. 1)

Prayer of Dedication

The Apostles' Creed

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Hymn # 534                      All who hunger, gather gladly

The Sacrament of Communion

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

Hymn # 825                      Saviour, again to your dear name

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude