

Bethel Presbyterian Church

Corner of George and Brookland Streets,
Sydney, NS



Our Mission: To share the gospel of Jesus Christ with our community in our worship and our living.

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.

Sunday, May 21, 2017
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Organ Prelude
Announcements
Reader

William Sneddon
Heather Furey

We Gather Together – Our Approach to God

Call to Worship
Prayer of Adoration and Approach (The Lord's Prayer)
Hymn # 400 Spirit of the Living God
Prayer of Confession

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson	Acts 17: 22-31	(p. 785)
Responsive Psalm #	66: 8-20	(p. 411)
Hymn # 366	Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts	
Children's Story		
N.T. Epistle Lesson	1 Peter 3: 13-22	(p. 858)
N.T. Gospel Lesson	John 14: 15-21	(p. 764)
Sermon	Our Advocate	

Our Response to God

Hymn # 368	Let Christian faith and hope dispel
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession	
Offering	
Offertory	
Anthem	Trust and Obey John Sammis-Dennis Allen
Doxology (#830)	
Prayer of Dedication	

We go out in service to the Lord

Hymn # 389	Breathe on me breath of God
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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 Pat, Mona and Shona.

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Gary Braunmiller whose funeral was yesterday.

Nursery

Today: Heather Furey and Donna Mikkelsen

Next Sunday: Joan Richardson and Sara MacQueen

Sunday School Shepherd Carol Ferguson

Greeter at the South Door Mac Cameron

Greeter at the Choir Room Door Joan Richardson

Visiting the Hospital this week

Charles Nicholson 562-3855

Wilrod Morrison 562-3573

Readings for next week

Acts 1: 1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1: 15-23; Luke 24: 44-53

To the Benevolent Fund

- In memory of mother Florence MacQueen and mother in law Jessie Hardy from Kathy Hardy

This Week

Friday

7:00 pm

"Beautiful Creation" – a concert featuring Barbara Fris, soprano. And Faith Daley, Accompanist. A native of Halifax, Opera singer Barbara Fris will perform Classical (excerpt from Mozart's Exsultate Jubilate and Schubert) Gospel, Traditional and Nova Scotian Song Favourites Union Presbyterian Church. \$20.00 For more information or to reserve a ticket please call 902-727-2394 or 902-562-4713. Tickets will be available at the door. Reception to follow.

Saturday

It must be Spring! St. Andrew's PC, North River are having their annual Lobster supper at their church. It is a sit-down at 5:00 pm or take-out meal at 3:00 pm. For those of you who would like to have your dinner in Sydney, please contact Margie MacLeod to place your order (either at church or call 902-270-0003 after 6pm.) The menu and cost is as follows:

1 lobster, potato salad, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert \$20.00

2 lobsters with the above is \$28.00

Turkey dinner, potato salad, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert
\$10.00

The meals will be delivered to Sydney on the day of the supper and can be picked up at Margie's house, 37 Topshee Dr. Sydney at 2:00 pm. Thanks for supporting St. Andrew's PC, North River.

Next Sunday, May 28

The 177th Anniversary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Sydney Mines (643 Main Street) will be celebrated on Sunday May 28th, 2017. **11:00 am Worship** with Guest Preacher, the Rev. Dr. Ken MacLeod; **7:00 PM Musical Service** with favourite hymns and Coro

Cantible, under the direction of Jim McNeil. Light refreshments and a time of fellowship to follow the evening service. Everyone is welcome, so come, celebrate with us!

Lakeside Cemetery Musical Evening at St. John's Anglican Church, North Sydney at 7p.m. Special guests, The Inspirational Singers, Cecil Clarke, The Burton Family & the Church Choirs. A Social time to follow. Free will Offering. All proceeds go to the Lakeside Cemetery. Come out and enjoy an evening of Song!

"SALUTE TO CANADA" - a concert in celebration of The 150th Anniversary of our Country presented by The Cape Breton Chorale with the Northside Honour Choir & Guests, **Sunday, May 28** at 7:00 pm at Highland Arts Theatre, 40 Bentinck St., Sydney. Tickets \$25 plus tax available at Highland Arts Theatre or by phoning 902-565-3637.

ADVANCE NOTICES

The CE committee will meet on **Monday, May 29th** at 6:30 pm in the hall. This meeting is to finalize the plans for Family Fun Day.

The next regular meeting of Session will be **Tuesday, May 30th** at 7:30 pm in the Shaw Room.

On **Saturday, June 3rd** The Cove Auxiliary will hold a yard sale. If you have something you would like to donate bring to the Hall in the morning to downstairs hall. There is a room ready for us to store things.

Saturday, June 3rd @ 7:00 Faith Baptist Church Sydney will be having Gracia Burnham speak. *"The Burnhams, under torturous conditions, befriended their guards, comforted their fellow hostages and kept their faith in a God who seemed to have*

abandoned them.” Gracia Burnham knows what it is like to have life spin out of control. While missionaries in the Philippines, Gracia and her husband Martin were kidnapped by terrorists and spent the next 13 months as hostages in the Philippine jungle. On June 7, 2002 captivity ended for these two missionaries in a violent rescue that left Martin Burnham dead and Gracia wounded. A love offering will be received.

Sunday June 4th to Wednesday June 7th

General Assembly will meet in Kingston, Ontario. Bob Lyle will be attending General Assembly this year. Prayer for:

- Rev. Doug Rollwage as he finishes his year as Moderator of the General Assembly
- Rev. Peter Bush, the Moderator-Elect for this Assembly
- The Commissioners reading through the reports which are on the Presbyterian Church in Canada’s website.

Saturday, June 10th 11:00 am to 1:00 pm



Fun Day



Join us for lots of fun, games, music and of course our BBQ. Bring your family and friends. We are asking for donations of cookies for Family Fun Day. Please drop them off on the morning of the event. Thank you for your help with making our event great. We are looking for some volunteers to help out with fun day, especially in the kitchen. If you are able to help, please give your name to Carol Ferguson or Bob Lyle.

Sunday, June 11th 7:00 pm Summer Hymn Sing

We will have the special music by the Korean families from St. Paul's Church Glace Bay and our own choir.

Camp MacLeod is looking for a cook for the upcoming camping season. If you, or anyone you know, are interested please contact the camp committee or fill out an application found on our website. We are looking for an experienced cook holding current Food Handler's certification (or someone willing to get certification, if available). For more information, please contact Terrance MacLeod at 902-565-9214 or campmacleod@hotmail.com or <http://pccweb.ca/campmacleod/>

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