

# 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, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Elizabeth Matheson

Reader

Todd Gouthro

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

Call to Worship

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

Hymn # 452

Jesus, stand among us

Prayer of Confession

**We Hear God's Word**

O.T. Lesson

Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28

(p. 28)

Responsive Psalm #

85: 8-13

(p. 421)

Hymn # 675

Precious Lord, take my hand

N.T. Epistle Lesson

Romans 10: 5-15

(p. 802)

N.T. Gospel Lesson

Matthew 14: 22-33

(p. 692)

Solo

Flee as a bird

Words by Mary Dana

Spanish Melody arranged by John F. Wilson

Richard MacAulay

Sermon

**Expressing faith in and out of the boat**

**Our Response to God**

Hymn # 728

The storm is strong; we face the wind

Alternate tune Winchester New (126)

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering

Offertory

Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Dedication

## We go out in service to the Lord

Hymn # 325

Eternal Father, strong to save

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 Murray & Darlene MacIntosh and Ada MacIntosh.

### **Nursery**

**Today:** Brenda Skinner and Sandra MacLeod

**Next Sunday:** Heather Furey and Joan Richardson

**Greeter at the South Door**

Mac Cameron

**Greeter at the Choir Room Door**

Jean MacQueen

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

Wayne MacDonald 562-5686

Ben Furey 562-2266

### **Readings for next week**

Genesis 45: 1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32;

Matthew 15: 21-28

### **To the Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Alice Edwards from Joan & Gary Grant

### **To the Atlantic Mission Society**

- In memory of Alice Edwards from Flossie MacLean

### **To Camp MacLeod**

- In loving memory of Alice Edwards from Mildred MacLean

This evening @ 7:00 pm

The Anniversary Service of Union Church, Albert Bridge will be held. The Guest speaker will be Bob Lyle. All are invited to attend.

The Anniversary Service at St. James Presbyterian Church, Big Bras d'Or, Refreshments to follow the service in the church hall.

### Camp MacLeod Schedule 2017

Junior Co-Ed #2 (age 9-11)	Aug 14-20
Intermediate Co-Ed #3 (age 12-14)	Aug 21-27

### Vacation Bible School



Our Vacation Bible School will be held the week of **August 14-18** from 9:00 -11:30 am. All children ages 4-12 years are welcome to attend.

For more information and advanced registration please visit <http://www.myvbs.org/bethelpresbyterianchurch.ca/>

## Needs for Vacation Bible School

There are some things we would like some help with for Vacation Bible School. There is a need for 500 ml pop bottles or water bottles and toilet rolls. Also, donations for snacks would be greatly appreciated. Suggested items are: juice, cookies, rice krispie squares, watermelon etc. Please drop your donation off at the Church Hall on Sunday, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> or any morning during DVBS. Thank you.

### Advance Notice

**Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30 pm**

Annual Memorial Service Oakfield Cemetery

Guest Speaker: Gary Grant

### International Overdose Awareness Day

Prevention and remembrance

**WHEN? Thursday, August 31, 2017 12:00pm**

**WHERE? Wentworth Park Bandshell**

International Overdose Awareness Day (IOAD) is a global event held on August 31 each year and aims to raise awareness of overdose and reduce the stigma of a drug related death. It also acknowledges the grief felt by families and friends remembering those who have met with death or permanent injury as a result of drug overdose. Join us as we remember those who we've lost to drug overdose. We will be providing on the spot overdose prevention training and naloxone kits. Contact the Ally Centre for more information: 902-567-1766

<https://www.facebook.com/IOADCapeBreton>

## Mission Moments - Learning from partners in Taiwan

Nearly half of the Presbyterian Church in Taiwan's membership is Indigenous. With support from *Presbyterians Sharing*, Carragh Erhardt (Healing & Reconciliation Program Assistant), the Rev. Dianne Ollerenshaw (Director of Regional Ministries, Synod of Alberta & the Northwest) and Lori Ransom (Healing & Reconciliation Animator, 2006-2011) represented the PCC at the PCT's International Forum on the "Mission of the Church in Taiwan Today." Afterwards they spent six days with PCC mission staff, the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean, and some of his Indigenous colleagues for mutual learning about experiences of reconciliation in Canada and Taiwan. Carragh shares, "I am grateful to the people we met in Taiwan for sharing their experiences and I look forward to continuing this partnership."

*Presbyterians Sharing supports exchanges with international partners*

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