

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. We are pleased to have Weldon Hussey, Jamie Turner and daughters Abbie (10) and Maya (7) lighting the Advent Candle this morning. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty today are Catherine & Dave, and Joan & Gary.

Thank You

The Session and Congregation received a thank you card from Bill and Mona Sneddon saying "Thank you so much for your touching and kind words expressed by everyone on Sunday, and also for the gifts. We miss you all."

Next Sunday there will be a morning service at 10:30 and an evening service for Christmas Eve at 7:00 pm.

Nursery

Today: Sara MacQueen and Angela Gillespie

Next Sunday Susan Jessen and Heather Furey

Sunday School Shepherd Brian Mikkelsen

Greeter at the South Door Ben Furey

Greeter at the Choir Room Door Brian Mikkelsen

Visiting the Hospital this week

Sandra MacLeod 530-2467

Larry Victory 562-0944

Readings for next week

2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16; Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26; Romans 16: 25-27; Luke 1: 26-38

To the Benevolent Fund

- In memory of Donnie Morrison from Mac Cameron
- In memory of Donnie Morrison from Valerie Rhude
- In memory of Donnie Morrison from Garfield & Marilyn Strickland
- In memory of Donnie Morrison from Wilrod & Anne Morrison

- In loving memory of our family, friends, and all others who have passed away, and for the honor of those who still live on. Even though our many loved ones have passed on they will always live on in the hearts and memories of all who knew and loved them from a Friend to All
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To Camp MacLeod

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To John Geddie A. M. S.

- In memory of Alice Edwards, Connie Braunmiller and Frank MacLean from George and Susan Jessen and Sandra MacLeod

Benevolent Fund is looking for a chesterfield. If you have one items to donate contact Joan Richardson or Brad Gillespie.

This Week

Monday

7:30 pm The Board of Managers meet.

Advance Notices

THE MINER'S FIRST NOEL CONCERT: Tickets are going quickly for this fantastic concert that will be held on **Friday, December 29th** at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines at 7:00 P.M. Why not give a Christmas Gift of music this year, with a couple of tickets to this fantastic concert featuring Lucy MacNeil along with her two daughters Kenna and Amelia and so many more talented performers. You also see Kevin Evans, Jennifer Whalen, Bob Quinn, Stewart MacNeil, and Cameron and MacKenzie Clarke. This is a concert for the whole family, young or old with music that you will be tapping your feet to and singing along with the performers. Tickets are \$25 each and can be picked up at Sexton's Pharmasave in Sydney Mines or Shoppers Drug Mart in

North Sydney, or you can reserve your tickets by calling 902-736-2508. Don't wait or you will miss this great concert. This is a one night performance only.

Church Envelopes for 2018 are available in the church lobby.

Mission Moments – Equipping and nurturing future church leaders

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* equip and nurture future church leaders who in turn will equip and nurture others to witness faithfully in the world. In 2017, 18 students graduated from our three theological colleges – Knox College in Toronto, The Presbyterian College in Montreal and Vancouver School of Theology and St. Andrew's Hall in Vancouver. These colleges provide a strong academic and practical foundation to prepare students to serve our congregations. The PCC supports ministry candidates and their presbyteries as they work to discern the candidate's call. In 2017, 16 candidates attended the PCC's Guidance Conference, which helps participants recognize their abilities, strengths and weaknesses and develop a plan of growth as they move forward. Together, we also encourage and support new clergy who have just begun their ministries.

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