

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.

Open the hearts and minds of the commissioners to hear your still, small voice.

By your Spirit give them wisdom and understanding;

Give them vision and knowledge,

Give them compassion & courage.

Open their eyes to your presence and leading for your Church.

Help all of us to be faithful followers, looking to Christ who not only shows us the way, but is our way.

May your love be shown to all the world by the decisions made at Synod and how we live them out as your people...

Offering & Offertory

Anthem *We are the hands of Christ* Raney/Parker

Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Dedication

We go out in service to the Lord

Hymn # 774 God forgave my sin

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. We welcome Rev. Daniel Cho, Moderator of the 144th General Assembly, who will be leading in the service. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty today are Beth Matheson, Lorraine Colborne and Jorelle Tsogo.

Nursery

Today: Mildred MacLean and Florence MacKenzie

Next Sunday Joan Richardson and Eileen MacNeil

Sunday School Shepherd

Michael Butler

Greeter at the South Door

Mac Cameron

Greeter at the Choir Room Door

Jean MacQueen

Samaritan Shoe Boxes are available today following the service. Refer to enclosed pamphlet for instructions of what to include and what not to include. Please return your box by Sunday November 11th. John Geddie AMS thanks you for your support. If you have any questions contact Nancy MacDonald or Joan Richardson.

TONIGHT – St Columba Church Hall, Marion Bridge 7:00pm

The Moderator of the General Assembly, the Rev. Daniel Cho has accepted an invitation to meet and chat with any and all who would like to come for tea and talk with him. You are cordially invited to come for tea and conversation with Daniel.

Visiting the Hospital this week

Beth Matheson 727-2325 Ivan Henderson 564-1050

To the Current Fund

- In memory of Vivian K. Shaw from Elizabeth G. Lewis, Charlottetown, PE
- In memory of Art MacQueen, Bill Sneddon and Vivian Shaw from Flossie MacLean
- In memory of Bill Sneddon, Art MacQueen and Merrill Wright from Charles & Linda Greaves
- In memory of Bill Sneddon and Art MacQueen from John Clark
- In memory of Art MacQueen and Bill Sneddon from Sharon McKay
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Judy MacSween & Marcel McKeough, Halifax

- In memory of Bill Sneddon and Art MacQueen from Don & Pat Munroe
- In memory of At MacQueen from Anna MacPhee
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Bob & Barb MacLean
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Dennis & Sadie Kerr, Dartmouth, NS
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Wayne & Mary Penny and family
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Linda & Donnie Robertson
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Gordie & Dorothy MacKeigan

To the Property Fund

- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Gordon & Wendy Ferguson

To the Benevolent Fund

- In memory of parents Bill & Shirley Roach from Marilyn & Garfield Strickland and family
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Geraldine MacLeod
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Diane & Fred Lynk
- In memory of Merrill Wright from Alice and Margaret MacLeod
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Dorothy MacDonald
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Byron & Iylah MacLeod

To Camp MacLeod

- In memory of Art MacQueen from Linda and Myrna Ross

To Bethel Sunday School

- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Byron & lylah MacLeod
- In loving memory of Peggy Ross from Donald & Terri-Jane Taylor and boys
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Don & Margie Cameron
- In loving memory of Bill Sneddon from Dorothy MacDonald & Family
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Jennifer & Jason, Lucie and Madelyn March
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Diane & Fred Lynk
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Geraldine MacLeod
- In memory of Bill Sneddon and Art MacQueen from Kaye & Roy Gallivan
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Mildred Huntington (Williston House) (correction from last Sunday)

For the Sunday School Mission Fund

- In loving memory of Bill Sneddon from Myrna & Linda Ross
- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Mildred Huntington

To the Choir Fund

- In memory of Vivian Shaw from Geraldine MacLeod
- In memory of Vivian Shaw from Byron & lylah MacLeod
- In memory of Vivian Shaw from Dorothy MacDonald and family
- In memory of Art MacQueen from Mervin MacLeod
- In memory of Vivian Shaw from Gordie & Dorothy MacKeigan

This Week

Monday, Oct. 15th @ 7:00pm

144th Meeting of the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces

Opening Communion Worship Service. All are invited to come and share in this service as we welcome the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces to Bethel Church.

The Synod

The Synod is the second highest court in our Presbyterian Church in Canada system. Its membership includes all ministers, members of the Order of Diaconal Ministries and representative elders on the roll of the presbyteries in its area. Synod oversees the Presbyteries, ensuring that business is conducted properly, and provides support and advice as needed. We belong to the Synod of the Atlantic Provinces, which contains six presbyteries: Cape Breton, Pictou, Halifax and Lunenburg, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island.

Our Synod promotes opportunities for our children and young people to come to know Christ in a safe and caring place by providing funding to Presbytery camps in Cape Breton and PEI as well owning and operating Camp Geddie, near Merigomish, NS. Camp Geddie is also used for events and retreats during the off-camping season. We employ a full-time Camping and Youth Consultant Ms. Whitney

Canning, who organizes events for our young people and also serves as the Executive Director at Camp Geddie.

For many years Mr. Lindsay Rankin has served as Synod chaplain in the Halifax hospitals on a part-time basis, pastoring and caring for those who come to Halifax for treatment from throughout the Synod, and for their families.

He will be retiring this year, and we thank him for his many years of faithful and caring service.

The Synod encourages, organizes and helps fund educational events and mission programs throughout the Atlantic region, with workshops designed to assist congregations, particularly those in transition in these changing times

The Synod meets once a year, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of October; business is usually complete by noon on Wednesday. This year we meet in the Presbytery of Cape Breton hosted by Bethel Presbyterian Church, Sydney, from Monday, October 15th, 2018 through to Wednesday, Oct. 17th. Please pray for the commissioners and those who do the work of Synod as they meet in Sydney this year.

Mission Moments - World Food Day (Tuesday, Oct. 16th)

Hunger finds families when they are facing challenges like poverty, conflict, climate change and illness. Globally, hunger burdens over 800 million people—Rosa Martinez from Nicaragua was one of them. The effects of climate change made it difficult for Rosa to predict when to plant her crops. When she did, irregular rainfall ruined what little food she'd grown. Through a sustainable agriculture project supported by Canadian Foodgrains Bank, PWS&D helped Rosa learn to store water, grow new plant varieties and start seedlings in cups for better plant growth. Because of what she's learned, Rosa is growing more food for her family. A sustainable source of food opens the door to abundant life.

PWS&D is working for zero hunger

Wednesday, Oct. 17th @ 9:00am-1:00pm

Closing of the Synod – Worship in Sanctuary at 12:00pm.

Thursday, October 18th

The John Geddie AMS will meet with group 4 in charge. \$12 will be collected for The Message. New members are always welcomed. The Fall Rally for the Cape Breton Presbyterial will be held on Saturday, Oct. 20th at St. Andrews church, Sydney Mines at 10:00am. Executive will meet at 9:30am

Sunday, October 22nd

(NEXT SUNDAY – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)

Annual Harvest Soup Luncheon

Following the morning service all are invited to come over to the hall to share in fellowship at table.

Change of date and time

The Board of Managers will not meet this Monday, but will meet next Monday, October 22nd at 7:00 pm

Upcoming event for St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Sydney Mines.

On **Saturday, Oct. 27th** from 10am-2pm there will be a Vendor's Market at the Sydney Mines Fire Hall. There will be lots of different vendors displaying their items and products at very reasonable prices. What a perfect time to start your early Christmas shopping. Also, there will be a bake table of all homemade goodies made by the St. Andrew's women. So be sure to put this on your calendar. Come and bring a friend and stock up on your favourite goodies and gifts.

Sunday, Oct. 28th

Fall Hymn Sing at 7:00pm. A free-will offering will be taken to support Loaves and Fishes. Please note that this service is one week later than originally advertised in the calendar of events.

Under One Umbrella-Cape Breton Winter Wear Donations Request



Under One Umbrella Cape Breton is a special event designed to give people, who are homeless or at risk of being homeless, access to a wide range of health and other support services all under one roof in one day.

Our goal is to provide easy access to services people may not otherwise have an opportunity to access.

The range of services offered at this event could vary from foot care, dental screening, eye care, hearing, medical, mental health and addiction services, , housing, haircuts, legal information, food security information, winter clothing, a hot meal and more.

Last year many churches gave donations of warm socks (**new only**) which we included in our comfort kit (500 kits). Because of the demand last year three hundred people did not receive a comfort kit or hot meal. Here's what we need: **warm winter wear for all ages including mitts, gloves, winter hats, jackets, boots or other foot wear (winter boots are in high demand), jeans, sweaters, etc.** There is also a need for blankets and linens.

A total of 825 people (Men, Women & Children) were able to get winter wear. We will be collecting donated items Oct. 23- Nov. 1st. We hope your faith community will once again answer our call for help. If any of your parishioners wish to make a financial donation we would greatly appreciate it.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call, Eileen MacNeil, Coordinator Under One Umbrella at 902-371-0101 or email underoneumbrella@nshealth.ca.

Under One Umbrella: a box has been placed in the church hall to collect items for this project. Please refer to write up in bulletin for details.

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