Bethel Presbyterian Church

Corner of George and Brookland Streets, Sydney, NS



<u>Our Mission</u>. To share the gospel of Jesus Christ with our community in our worship and our living.

<u>Our Vision</u> 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.

November 25th, 2018 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Announcements David Sneddon Reader Grace MacAulay

We Gather Together - Our Approach to God

Call to Worship

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

Hymn # 267 Rejoice, the Lord is King

Prayer of Confession

We Hear God's Word

O.T. Lesson 2 Samuel 23: 1-7 (p. 233) Responsive Psalm # 132: 1-18 (p. 442)

Hymn # 266 King of Kings

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson Revelation 1: 4b-8 (p. 867) N.T. Epistle Lesson John 18: 33-37 (p. 767)

Sermon The truth of God's Kingdom

Rev. Corrie Stewart

Our Response to God

Hymn # 269 Your kingdom come, O God

Offering Offertory

Anthem Christ the solid Rock

Lyrics by Edward Mote; Music by William Bradbury Additional Lyrics and Music by Keith Christopher

Doxology (#830) Prayer of Dedication

We go out in service to the Lord

Hymn # 274 Crown him with many crowns

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude

WELCOME We welcome everyone to our service today and pray that this will be a time of blessing for all. We welcome Rev. Corrie Stewart to the pulpit this morning. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty this morning are Heather, Sara and Ann MacQueen.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Mary Mader who passed away on Thursday. The funeral will be Tuesday at 11:00 in Sydney Memorial Chapel.

Nursery

Today: Marilyn Strickland and Brenda Skinner **Next Sunday** Sandra MacLean and Shirley Adams

Sunday School Shepherd

Donald Brown

Greeter at the North Door

Mike Butler

Greeter at the Choir Room Door

Roy MacDonald

Visiting the Hospital this week

Linda Ross 562-2962

Gary Grant 567-1411

To Camp MacLeod

• In memory of Bill Sneddon from John & Beth Matheson

To the Current Fund

- In memory of Ruby Skinner from Eileen MacNeil
- In memory of Marguerite Gillespie and Iris Gillespie from Harold & Lynn Gillespie

To Session Memorial Fund

• In memory of Ruby Skinner from Lorraine Colborne

To the Benevolent Fund

 In memory of Iris Gillespie from husband Gordon, daughter Jennifer, sons Gordon Jr., Stephen and Kenny

To Bethel Sunday School

- In memory of Bill Sneddon from Donnie & Kim Brown
- in memory of Bill Sneddon from Richard & Shireen Dulvy,
 Zaria and Nathan

"Coins for Camp MacLeod"

The Christian Education Committee would like to thank you for your participation in "Coins for Camp MacLeod". **Please return your jar by December 2**nd. Your support is greatly appreciated. **This Week**

Monday @ 7:00pm

A Bible Study on Christmas will begin in the Hall and will conclude the following Monday. All are invited to attend.

Tuesday @ 7:00pm

The Presbytery of Cape Breton will meet in St. Giles' Church, North Sydney

Friday

The Cove Auxiliary is having their annual Bake Sale at the Cove Guest Home from **1-3 pm.** Stock up for Christmas!!

A Festival for St. Andrew's Day and The Hanging of the Greens will be hosted at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Sydney Mines on Friday, November 30th at 7:00 pm. This event, free of charge, will include special music of both a Scottish and Christmas flavour, a brief program around the 'hanging of the greens' and be followed by a time of fellowship and refreshment

afterwards. What a great way to begin the season of waiting and expectation for the coming of Jesus Christ, our Lord! You are warmly invited to join us!

Westmount United Church, Westmount Road, will be having a Christmas Tea & Sale on **Saturday**, **December 1**st from 1-3pm. Admission is \$10.00 which includes turkey salad & dessert. We will have baked goods, preservatives, books and frozen cabbage rolls for sale, also new & slightly used items.

Upcoming Events

Christmas House Tour and Tea at the Andrea Estate in support of the Northside/Harbourview Hospital Foundation: **Saturday**, **December 8**th from 1-5pm. Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased by phoning the Northside/Harbourview Hospital Foundation 794-5402. Start off the Holiday Season spending an afternoon socializing with friends while viewing a beautiful home.

Breakthrough Group consists of youth from the ages of 16-30 who come together once a week to support each other in the journey of life. Their goal is to offer help to others in the community. They will be hosting a "Turkey Dinner" on **Saturday, December 8**th at 5:00 p.m. at the United Protestant Church of Sydney River. Tickets: \$15.00 and are available by phoning 902-562-4145. This year money raised is in support of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Sunday, December 9th at 7:00pm

Christmas Hymn Sing and Memorial Light-Up Ceremony

During our Christmas Hymn Sing, we will be including a Memorial Light-Up Ceremony. Those interested may make a donation in memory of the person or persons they wish to be remembered. The name will be placed on a tag and that tag will be fastened to a Christmas tree type light. The names will be listed in the evening's bulletin and read at the service followed by the lights being turned on. If you wish

To make a donation in memory of someone, please mark the name/s to be remembered, the name of the donors as you wish it published, and your name and address or church envelope number on a plain envelope containing your donation. Place this on the offering plate or send it to the Church Secretary on or before November 30th.

Tuesday, December 11th

The Session will meet in the Shaw Room at 7:30 pm.

Mission Moments – Love letters in the Archives?

Did you know that you can find love letters among the thousands of documents housed in The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Archives? Last year the Archives received a gift of 73 beautifully preserved handwritten letters that revealed a year-long courtship over many miles between Dr. McQueen and his future wife, Miss Catherine Robertson of Strabane, Ontario. The Rev. McQueen served at First Presbyterian Church in Edmonton, arriving in 1887 and remaining for 43 years. Dr. McQueen was the only person to serve twice as Moderator of the General Assembly. Miss Robertson served as a missionary in Canada with the Women's Missionary Society. David and Catherine's exchanges date from September 1889 – September 1890. Through beautiful script containing poetry and prose, their growing love for one another is revealed as is their draw to western Canada and a mutual commitment to serve the church.

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