Bethel Presbyterian Church Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS Sunday, July 2nd, 2023



Mission Statement

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

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be a local community of believers where: Jesus Christ is the 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 word 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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship:

Hymn #39 God of mercy, God of grace

Sacrament of Baptism

Invitation Presentation and vows The Act of Baptism Hymn #516 A little child the Saviour came

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

O. T. Lesson:	2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10	
Responsive Psalm:	121	
N.T. Epistle Lesson:	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	
N.T. Gospel Lesson:	Mark 6:1-13	
Solo:	My Forever Friend	Ben Fury
	by Charles Landsborough	

Message:

Lasting Grace

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #350 To God be the glory Offering & Doxology Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession (The Lord's Prayer)

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn #670 Amazing grace Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Leading the service this morning is Rev. Dr. Kenneth MacLeod. Reading scriptures are George Jessen and Wendy Ferguson. Being received through the Sacrament of Baptism this morning is Cooper Gregory Gordon Shepard, son of Kelsey Allison Ferguson and Michael Brandon Shepard.

Next week: Leading the service will be Rev. Allan MacLellan. Readings will be done by Carol Ferguson and Annie Rebecca Arun Daniel.

To Current Fund

- In memory of John Murdock MacLeod from Linda & Ivan Henderson
- In memory of Kyle MacKillop from Margie MacLeod

To Benevolent Fund

In memory of Baby Logan Dicks from great-uncle David Dicks

Shaw Fund Bursaries: We are inviting applications this year from post-secondary students for bursaries from the Shaw Fund. Please submit your request to the Session by mail to Bethel Church or email <u>charles.greaves@gmail.com</u>. All applications should be submitted to be received by July 31, 2023.

Camp MacLeod

This year, with food prices rising, Camp MacLeod will have to stretch its food budget further than in years past. If you are able, please consider donating the following non-perishable items: spaghetti and sauce, kraft dinner, tomato soup, chicken noodle soup, juice powder, pizza sauce, cereal, pancake mix and syrup, salsa, ketchup, mayo, salad dressing, granola bars, marshmallows, cake mixes, icing, jello, pudding, freezies, taco shells, rice, wraps.

Donations can be brought to the Camp Commissioning service or left in the vestibule at the front of the church. Camp Commissioning Service will be held on July 2nd at 2:30 at Union Presbyterian Church, Albert Bridge.

Rev. Peter MacDonald Camp Committee Convenor.

The Worship and Nurture and Program Committees

Volunteers are still needed for the fellowship hour after church. Cookies and a cold drink will be served. If you can help, please contact Linda Ross at 902 562 2962.

Mission Moment

"The earthquake experience is unlike any other," shared D, a 68-year-old retiree. When a powerful earthquake struck the border region between northern Syria and southeast Türkiye, the damage and loss were overwhelming. The earthquake caused widespread displacement, with many people fleeing their homes for fear of aftershocks and further collapses. At the time, the Syrian population was already profoundly impacted by the persisting war and the country's economic collapse. PWS&D responded through our partners to provide temporary shelter, much-needed mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits, hot meals and psychological support to affected families. In addition, with Canadian Foodgrains Bank, our partners are providing monthly food rations to those most affected.