Bethel Presbyterian Church Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS Reformation Sunday, October 29th, 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 (Please stand if you are able)

L. Bless the Lord at all times.

P. God's praise will always be on our lips.

L. Make great the name of God.

P. We will lift up God's Holy name together.

L. For the Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

All. We will love the Lord with all that we are and praise God now and always!

Prayer of Adoration & Confession (The Lord's Prayer)

Declaration of Good News

Hymn #290 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Children's Story

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Illumination

Grace Alone Ephesians 2:1-10

Reflection

Hymn #670 Amazing grace

Scripture Alone 2 Timothy 3:14-17

Reflection

Faith Alone Philippians 3:4b-12

Reflection

Choir Anthem High and Lifted Up by Don & Jaree Hall

arr. by Mary McDonald

Christ Alone Colossians 1:11-20

Reflection

Glory to God Alone 1 Corinthians 10:23-33

Reflection

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #685 How firm a foundation (Please remain standing for the offering)
Offering & Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn #410 Joyful, joyful we adore you Benediction and Choral Amen Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Leading the service is Rev. Corrie Stewart. Reading today are Beth Matheson and Catherine Sneddon. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Greeters today are Larry Victory at the Main Door and Beth Matheson at the Choir Room Door.

Next Week: Leading the service will be Gary Grant. Readings will be done by George Jessen and Chris McCall.

To Loaves and Fishes

In memory of Charles Penny from Ada MacIntosh

To Current Fund

In memory of Charles Penny from Joyce MacDougall

Next Sunday, November 5: Remembrance Day recognition will be part of our service and will include the laying of the Remembrance Wreath. Bethel will be joined by members of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 138 Ashby this year, and if possible, could attendees please be seated by 10:15am to allow the Legion parade to start our service?

Saturday, November 18: An Anniversary turkey supper will be held in the Hall at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased from Linda Ross 562-2962, Sandra MacLeod 539-2467 or Kathy Hardy 562-8578. **November 12th is the cut-off date for tickets** to the Anniversary Supper.

Sunday, November 19: Bethel will be celebrating our 97th Anniversary with the Rev Ritchie Robinson as our Anniversary Speaker.

The Worship and Nurture and Program Committee is looking for volunteers to look after the fellowship hour after church. The set up would be the same as during the summer except the volunteers would be responsible for making tea. If you are interested, please phone Linda Ross 902 562 2962.

Coins for Camp MacLeod jars have been placed at the entrance of the church. Last year \$2,004.55 was raised through the "Coins for Camp MacLeod" jars. Camp MacLeod appreciates the congregation's support in this worthy campaign.

Mission Moments

Cyclone Freddy—one of the most powerful storms ever recorded in the southern hemisphere—made landfall in Malawi in March 2023. Thousands in Malawi were left homeless, and with severe crop losses, over 345,000 people were affected by the heavy rains, floods and landslides. Through its partners, PWS&D responded to this devastating disaster by providing maize flour and soya to enable families to meet their immediate food requirements. Additionally, because of critical food insecurity due to droughts and floods in the area, PWS&D implemented a three-month food assistance project for 2,500 households. This project provided food assistance in the form of cash transfers, as well as seeds to produce high-value crops.