

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, April 14th, 2024
Minister: Rev. David F. Coull, B. Sc, MDiv



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

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

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

Hymn #250 I danced in the morning

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19

Responsive Psalm: 4

Hymn #634 Will you come and follow me

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:36b-48

Anthem: Easter Angel Song *by Cindy Berry*

Sermon: Encounters, callings and exits

Our Response to God

Hymn #3 O God, defender of the poor (Psalm 4)

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

We Go Out In Service

Hymn #407 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday.

Reading today are David Sneddon and Todd Gouthro.

Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Greeters today are Gordon Ferguson at the Main Door and David Sneddon at the Choir Room Door.

Next Week: Readings will be done by Donnie Brown and Richard Dulvy.

To Current Fund

In memory of Joan Ferguson from Linda & Ivan Henderson

To Benevolent Fund

In memory of Mary Strickland from Sharon McKay

To Choir Fund

In memory of Donald Morrison and Wilrod Morrison from Valerie Rhude

To Piano Fund

- In memory of deceased choir members from Bethel Choir
- In loving memory of my parents Ruby & Dougal MacAulay from daughter Jean & Dennis MacIntyre
- In loving memory of my parents Gertie & Leo MacIntyre from son Dennis & Jean MacIntyre
- In memory of Joan Ferguson from Flossie MacLean

Bible Study - "An Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels" will start on **Thursday, April 18th** at 10am in the Shaw room. Sharpen those pencils!

The John Geddie Auxiliary of the AMS will meet in the Shaw Room at 2:00pm on **Thursday, April 18th**.

Ascension Day this year is on May 9th. Sunrise that day is at 5.35 am. For anyone interested in joining Rev David at Mira Gut at 5.15 am on the 9th of May to watch the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean, we will watch the sunrise, have a short Ascension Day service and then stop for breakfast together on the way back into town. All welcome.

The Vancouver School of Theology has now posted its confirmed summer courses (running in July). You can audit the courses or take them for credit. If you are interested, please check the Vancouver School of Theology website. The times for the courses are all in Pacific Summer Time.

SPECIAL PROJECT: The piano in the choir loft failed and was not repairable. A temporary replacement has been in use but a more suitable piano is required. Discussion at the Annual Congregational Meeting has supported establishing a Special Piano Replacement Project to raise funds to purchase the new piano. You may place your gifts on the offering plate marked "PIANO PROJECT" with your name and envelope number or address for tax receipts. Thanks for your support.

If there is anyone that would like to have a hospital visitation or visitation at home please call Rev. Coull 902-919-1372 or Gary Grant 902-567-1411.

The Worship and Nurture and Program Committee is looking for volunteers for fellowship after Church. If you are interested, please phone Linda Ross 562-2962.

Communion Dates for 2024
June 23rd and October 6th.

Mission Moment

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Two Rivers Church (TRC) in Guelph, Ontario, is exploring creative new ways of being the church. Two values that support their purpose of “inviting all to come alive in Christ” are “face-to-face church” and “every voice matters.” These commitments have literally shaped the way the congregation worships God. TRC’s Living Room and Liturgical practices invite people into circles and semi-circles to be seen and heard. Opportunity for conversation, asking and answering questions, offering testimony, and sharing in discernment of the Spirit’s voice creates space for the whole body of Christ at TRC to participate in worship and mission.

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