Bethel Presbyterian Church Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS Sunday, April 21st, 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 #353 Hail, our once rejected Jesus

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Acts 4: 5-12

Responsive Psalm: 95:1-7

Hymn #693 Come O thou traveler unknown

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson: 1 John 3:16-24 N.T. Gospel Lesson: John 10:11-18

Anthem: Song of the Shepherd

by Douglas Nolan

Sermon: Moving the electric fence

Our Response to God

Hymn #11 The Lord's my shepherd (Psalm 23)

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology (#830)

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

We Go Out In Service

Hymn #328 This is my Father's world

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Reading today are Donald Brown and Richard Dulvy. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. **Greeters today** are Kathy Hardy at the Main Door and Donald Brown at the Choir Room Door.

Next Week: The John Geddie AMS will conduct the service.

To Current Fund

In memory of Joan Ferguson from Gordon Gillespie

To Piano Fund

- In memory of Mary MacKenna from Marilyn MacKenna
- In loving memory of my parents Allan & Bertha MacDougall, and Joan Ferguson from Joyce MacDougall
- In loving memory of Earl MacLeod from wife Geraldine and family
- In memory of Joan Ferguson from Janice and Karen Mudge
- In memory of my dear Ewart friend Margie MacLeod from Brenda Adamson

Thursday, Apr. 25th at 10am. Bible Study in the Shaw Room. "An Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels." Sharpen those pencils!

Ham and Salad Takeout at St. Paul 's Presbyterian Church, Glace Bay **Friday, April 26th** from 11-1pm and 4-5:30pm. \$18. Reserve tickets by Tuesday, April 23rd by calling 902-849-2479 or 902-737-2529.

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.

Our special Piano Project is receiving considerable support. It has been estimated that it could cost about \$5000.00 to replace the piano with one of suitable quality to meet our needs. To date we have received \$3372.00. We thank all the supporters and look forward to receiving sufficient support to aid in the purchase of the new piano. Thank you.

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

In the Kushkak village in Afghanistan, 42-year-old Guljan lived a simple life with her husband and four children until one day in October 2023, when an earthquake struck their village. Guljan lost her husband and 11-year-old son. After the disaster, she encountered significant challenges in getting assistance due to the gender disparities present in her village. However, PWS&D's partner recognized her needs and provided Guljan's family with a winterized tent to help endure the harsh weather conditions. PWS&D provided food assistance, as well as other support after the earthquake to help people survive the winter challenges.

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