# Bethel Presbyterian Church Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 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 #461 Be thou my vision

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson:	Acts 4:32-35
Responsive Psalm:	133
Hymn #248	At the dawning of salvation
Children's Story	
N.T. Epistle Lesson:	1 John 1:1-2:2
N.T. Gospel Lesson:	John 20:19-31
Anthem:	How deep the Father's love for us
	by Stuart Townend/arr. by Lloyd Larson
Sermon:	Doubts or confessions?

#### Our Response to God

Hymn #740 Make me a channel of your peace (Please remain standing for the offering) Offering & Doxology (#830) Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

## We Go Out In Service

Hymn #256 Now the green blade rises Closing Prayer and Benediction Postlude

#### Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Reading today are Jennifer March and Wendy Ferguson. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. **Greeters today** are Larry Victory at the Main Door and Ben Furey at the Choir Room Door.

**Next Week:** Readings will be done by David Sneddon and Todd Gouthro.

## To Sunday School Easter Memorial

In memory of Rod & Florence Munroe from Don & Pat Munroe

#### To Piano Fund

- In memory of deceased choir members from Janice
  Mudge
- In memory of Bertha & Duncan MacAulay from Fonnie MacAulay

## **To Current Fund**

- In memory of Mary Strickland from Sandra MacLeod
- In memory of George & Mamie MacLeod, George MacLeod, John MacLeod and Wayne McClure from Frances McClure

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 23<sup>rd</sup> and October 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **Mission Moment**

Katia Bien-Aime, a senior nurse and coordinator for a nutrition program in Haiti, recalls a time when a significant number of children failed to return for follow-up care after initial treatment at the nutrition clinic. She knew something needed to be done. In response, PWS&D's partner, who also runs the original clinic, decided to begin mobile clinics. Today, these mobile units have proven successful in bridging the gap and allowing healthcare providers to get closer to their patients, easier follow-ups and enabling the delivery of crucial basic medical care directly to villages and homes. "It worked," Katia says. "We were able to get to the really sick kids faster and earlier." In addition, the mobile units provide tools to make water safe for drinking and to promote better sanitation and hygiene practices.