

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, Dec. 15th, 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

Welcome and Call to Worship

The Lord, your God, is in your midst.

Let us sing with loud shout of praises!

God rejoices over you with gladness and renews you with love.

We will rejoice with all our hearts at what the Lord has done!

With joy, draw water from the well of salvation in this time of worship.

God is our salvation; we will trust and have no fear.

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

Hymn #125

People, look east

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

O.T. Lesson: Zephaniah 3:14-20

First Lesson: Isaiah 12:2-6

Hymn #119 Hope is a star (vs. 1, 2, 3)

Lighting of the Third Candle of Advent: The Candle of Joy
(Lighting Litany led by Ivan Henderson)

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson: Philippians 4:4-7

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Luke 3:7-18

Anthem: The King is coming soon *by Jon Paige*

Sermon: What then shall we do?

Our Response to God

Hymn # 126 On Jordan's bank

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology (#830)

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

We Go Out In Service

Hymn #687

Blessed Assurance

Closing Prayer and Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday.

Reading today are Jennifer March and Richard Dulvy.

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

Greeters today are Gordon Ferguson at the Main Door and Ben Furey at the Choir Room Door.

Next Week: Readings will be done by David Sneddon and Linda Greaves.

Wednesday, December 18th at 3pm There will be a congregational meeting to discuss the potential purchasing of heat pumps for the church and hall. The meeting will take place in the church hall.

Next Sunday, December 22nd the children will be presenting their Christmas program during the morning service.

The Presbytery of Cape Breton will be holding a Service of Recognition, celebrating the installation of the Rev. Dr. Kenneth MacLeod to serve as Interim Minister for two years in the Northside Presbyterian Pastoral Charge (combined congregations of St Andrew's, Sydney Mines and St Giles, North Sydney). This service will be held in St. Giles Church on Sunday, January 5th, 2025 at 2:30pm. All are encouraged to attend to support this ministry.

Communion dates for 2025: January 12th, April 13th, June 22nd,
October 5th

Isaiah Bible Study will begin on January 16th in the Shaw Room at 10am. If you are planning on attending, please read Isaiah sometime before that date and sharpen those coloured pencils! All are welcome.