

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, January 11th, 2026
Winter Communion Service
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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

Welcome and Call to Worship

We are called to serve in the name of Jesus, God's beloved Son,

God calls us by name because we are beloved.

God calls us to be a light to the nations.

We wait for God's teaching and to learn justice.

We are witnesses to God's goodness and grace who claims and loves us.

God's name be praised!

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

Hymn #394 Holy Spirit, truth divine

Sacrament of Communion

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn#759 In loving partnership

(children leave for Sunday School during the singing)

O.T. Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9

Responsive Psalm: 29
N. T. Epistle Lesson: Acts 10:34-43
N.T. Gospel Lesson: Matthew 3:13-17
Anthem: Healing Grace CCLI2331628
by John Chisum & Gary Sadler/arr. by Jane Holstein
Sermon: The servant's mission

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #763 To show by touch and word
(Please remain standing for the offering)
Offering & Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn #389 Breathe on me, breath of God
Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Reading today are Carol Ferguson and Kevin Joel Arun Daniel. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Thank You

In 2025, the "Coins for Camp MacLeod" campaign raised \$1,569.15. Thank you to all who contributed to this appeal for the support of Camp MacLeod.

Next Week: Readings will be done by Gary Grant and Lydia Barikdar.

To Choir Fund

In memory of Donald Morrison, Wilrod Morrison and Margie MacLeod from Valerie Rhude

To Current Fund

- In memory of Donna MacDonald from Roy & Nancy MacDonald
- In memory of Donna (Halliday) MacDonald from George and Susan Jessen
- In memory of Blair Robertson from George and Susan Jessen
- in memory of Donna (Halliday) MacDonald and Blair Robertson from Sandra MacLeod.

Thursday, Jan. 15th

The Minor Prophets bible study will begin at 10:00am in the Shaw room – all welcome.

Upcoming Events

The walking group with a photography problem will be going for a stroll along the Baille Ard Trail on Sunday, January 18th at 3:00pm. Meet in the Cottage Road car park.

The "Coldest Night of the Year" walk will be held on February 28th with proceeds going to Souls Harbour Mission here in Cape Breton. See the church website or facebook page for details. Anyone interested in participating, let me know. There is a 2 km and a 5 km walk. This is a Canada wide event.

Groups submitting reports for the Annual Meeting (Mar. 18th) should have them sent to the church office by **February 26th**
bethelpresbyteriansydney@gmail.com

Members of the Congregation have formed a Prayer Support Group. If you know of someone who could use prayer support, send the information to the Prayer Group at
bethelprayer.sydney@gmail.com.