

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, Oct. 4th, 2026
Fall Communion Service
Minister: Rev. David F. Coull, B. Sc, MDiv, MATS



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

The banqueting table is prepared and God calls us to the feast.

We have come from east and west, from north and south, to sit at Christ's table.

Here compassion, love, and grace pour out like fine wine.

Here we taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.

There are gifts of God for all the people of God.

Let us taste and see that the Lord is good!

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

Hymn #389 Breathe on me, breath of God

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

O.T. Lesson: Exodus 20:1-20

Responsive Psalm: 19

Hymn #530 I come with joy

(Children will leave for Sunday School during singing of the first verse.)

N. T. Epistle Lesson: Philippians 3:4-14

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21:33-46

Anthem: Behold The Risen Lamb

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words by Charitie L. de Chenez/arr. by Tom Fettke

Sermon: No Guarantees

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #671 I heard the voice of Jesus say

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

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

Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday.

Reading today are David Sneddon and Chris McCall. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Next Week: Readings will be done by David Sneddon and Eileen MacNeil.

To Current Fund

- In memory of Donnie Brown, Edna Taker and Eileen MacLean from Linda & Donnie Robertson
- In memory of Donnie Brown from sister & brother-in-law Donna & Doug Howley
- In memory of Edna Taker from Lynk, Taker and Enns families

- In memory of our dear brother Gerald Patrick Devereaux from Roy & Kay Gallivan
- In honour of John & Beth Matheson's 70th Anniversary, which is on Oct. 5th, from Roy & Nancy MacDonald
- In memory of Gerald Devereaux from Sharon Morrison

To Benevolent Fund

In memory of Donnie Brown and Gerald Devereaux from Iylah MacLeod

Thursday, Oct. 8th Bible Study will be held at 10:00am in the Shaw Room – all are welcome. The theme of the study is "Grace".

We will be hosting the Atlantic Synod meetings from Oct. 19-21. If anyone from the congregation would like to donate cookies, muffins, etc., and/or be able to help making tea and coffee for the breaks please contact Carol Ferguson at [902 564 8422](tel:9025648422). All are invited to the opening Worship Monday, Oct. 19 at 7pm.

SPECIAL HALL DOOR PROJECT:

At the Annual Meeting in March, the necessity to replace the main hall door and the emergency exit door off the parking lot was discussed. After discussion at a recent Session meeting, it was noted that the total cost of the two door replacements would be \$15,645.36. The Session has made this a Special Congregational Project. If you would like to contribute to this project, please put your donation in an envelope and mark it "Door Project" and include your name and envelope number or address and the amount. You may contribute using Interact e-transfer to bethelofferings@bellaliant.com marking it "Door Project". If you wish to make this a Memorial donation, please provide the Memorial information. Thank you for your support.