

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, December 8th, 2019
Second Sunday in Advent



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

Organ Prelude
Announcements
Reader

George Jessen
Richard Dulvy

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude
Call to Worship
Hymn Hail to the Lord's Anointed # 115
Prayer of Confession

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

O.T. Lesson Isaiah 11:1-10
Responsive Psalm # 72:1-7, 18-19
Hymn People, look east # 125
Lighting of the Second Candle of Advent: The Candle of Peace
(Lighting Litany led by Chris Victory and Chris MacCall)
Hymn Hope is a star, Peace is a ribbon (vs.1-2) # 119
Children's Story
N.T. Epistle Lesson Romans 15:4-13
N.T. Gospel Lesson Matthew 3:1-12
Sermon **Preparation needed**

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn On Jordan's bank # 126
Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession
Offering & Offertory
Anthem: **The King is Coming Soon** *Paige*
Doxology # 830
Prayer of Dedication

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn Herald! Sound the note of judgement # 117
Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude

Welcome

We welcome everyone to this service of worship this Lord's Day. We pray that this will be a time of blessing for all. We are pleased to have Chris Victory and Chris MacCall lighting the Advent Candle this morning. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty today are Sara, Heather and Ann MacQueen.

Nursery

Today: Brenda Skinner and Angela Gillespie

Next Sunday Carol MacLeod and Catherine Sneddon

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to Brandan and Angela Yhard in the passing of Brandan's grandmother Georgina MacInnis. Funeral was yesterday.

Sunday School Shepherd

Michael Butler

Greeter at the North Door

Kathy Hardy

Greeter at the Choir Room Door

Joan Richardson

Visiting the hospital this week

Kathy Hardy 562-8578

Tom MacRae 562-3893

Readings for next week

Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

Benevolent Fund

A donation has been given to the Benevolent Fund from the Bethel Choir

To the Benevolent Fund

- In memory of Duncan Kell from John & Beth Matheson

To the Current Fund

- In memory of Duncan Kell and Darlene LeBlanc from Lorraine & Carl Rideout

Sunday School Christmas Program

Rehearsals have begun for our Christmas Eve program and we encourage all Sunday School children to attend classes.

This Week

Monday

7:00pm

Bible Study in the Hall.

Tuesday

Mission Moments - Human Rights Day (Dec. 10)

For Ahmad and Sarah and their daughters Reem and Rana, each day brought distress, thinking about what the future might hold. Their home in Al Raqqa, Syria had been bombed, and acts of brutal violence were taking place in their own neighbourhood. The family escaped to Kfarbo and forged a home in a cramped, unfurnished apartment. Navigating the streets of a brand-new city, in a country broken by over eight years of civil conflict, Ahmad and Sarah prayed each day for peace and relief from hunger. Their prayers were answered when the family received their first food and hygiene basket through a PWS&D-supported project with Canadian Foodgrains Bank partners. "It came at the right moment," says Ahmad.

PWS&D responds to those living in danger or exile

7:30pm

Session will meet in the Shaw Room.

Wednesday

Choir practice will be at 6:00 this Wednesday.

Saturday

3:30pm

Who is Yeshua? Creator of The One New Man (Part 6)

Video by Greg Hershbert in the Shaw Room, Bethel Hall.

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