

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, February 20th, 2022
7th Sunday after the Epiphany



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

Call to Worship

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

Hymn # 21 Set thou thy trust upon the Lord

(tune #9)

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Genesis 45:3-11

Responsive Lesson Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40

N.T. Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

N. T. Gospel Lesson Luke 6:27-38

Hymn How deep the Father's love for us
(printed in bulletin)

Sermon Love your enemies

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn # 308 Lord of all being

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this morning.
The readers this morning are Bradley Gillespie and Donna Lyle.

The Annual Meeting

will be held in the Sanctuary on **Wednesday, February 23rd** at 7:00pm. A mailing will be sent by email and by mail (to those who do not have email at the beginning of this week about some of the things that will need to be discussed at the meeting and some other matters.

To the Current Fund

- In memory of Donald Nelson Ferguson from Ivan & Linda Henderson
- In memory of Kay Reid and Ellen MacDonald from Sharon McKay

Mission Moment

ARISE Ministry is a Toronto-based ministry that offers outreach, case management and spiritual care to individuals involved in the sex trade. In response to the explosion of the online sex trade in recent years, the staff and volunteers at ARISE have expanded their outreach ministry online through an app called “Freedom Signal,” which has allowed them to communicate and establish relationships with victims of online sex trafficking and exploitation. This type of virtual outreach has meant that staff and volunteers have been able to connect people to resources and support in a way that is not always possible in street-level outreach. ARISE Ministry receives support from Presbyterians Sharing.

Prayer Partnership

Sunday, February 20 (World Day of Social Justice) We give thanks and pray for human rights defenders and organizations, like KAIROS, which support them.

Monday, February 21 We give thanks and pray for the staff and volunteers of ARISE Ministry in Toronto, Ontario, who provide meaningful outreach and spiritual care to victims of sexual exploitation.

Tuesday, February 22 We give thanks and pray for the new members of the Cutting Edge of Mission Committee: Dr. Rick Allen (St. Andrew’s PC in Toronto, Ontario), the Rev. Dr. Nancy Cocks (St. John’s PC in Medicine Hat, Alberta) and Elizabeth Phillipson (St. Andrew’s PC in Ottawa, Ontario).

Wednesday, February 23 We pray for PCC mission staff as they look for new ways to safely help our partners around the world.

Thursday, February 24 We thank God for the staff and volunteers of Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre, who create a safe, loving and empowering space for the community of Little Burgundy in Montreal, Quebec.

Friday, February 25 We pray for the members of the Canadian ecumenical working group for the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent (2015–2024).

Saturday, February 26 We pray for the people, ministries. and mission of the Presbytery of Eastern Han-Ca.

How deep the Father's love for us

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How deep the Father's love for us how vast beyond all measure
That He would give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss the Father turns His face
away
As wounds which mar the chosen One bring many sons to
glory

Behold the Man upon a cross my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything no gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my
ransom