

**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
**Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS**  
**Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**



**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 # 370**

**Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus**

### **WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

**Old Testament**

**Exodus 34:29-35**

**Responsive Lesson**

**Psalms 99**

**N.T. Epistle Lesson**

**2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2**

**N. T. Gospel Lesson**

**Luke 9:28-36**

**Hymn # 499**

**Tell me the old, old story**

**Sermon**

**On a mountain**

### **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

**Special Music**

**Ethan Walter**

**Offering & Doxology**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession**

**Hymn # 687**

**Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine**

### **WE GO OUT IN SERVICE**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

#### **Announcements**

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this morning. The readers this morning are Gary Grant and Chris McCall. We are pleased to have Ethan Walter with us this morning and he will be adding special music to our service.

The Today Booklets are available for the daily readings for March and April.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Hazel MacDougall (mother) and Ann Louise MacLeod (sister) and families on the passing of Grant MacDougall, London Ont. Feb 6, 2022.

### **To the Current Fund**

- In memory of dear friend Kay Reid, Lawrence Anthony, James Wedsworth, Mary MacKenna, John Slade and Ellen Emma MacDonald from Thelma MacKillop
- In memory of John Slade and Ellen Emma MacDonald from Eileen MacNeil
- In memory of Kaye Reid, John Slade and Ellen MacDonald from Catherine & David Sneddon.
- In memory of Donald Ferguson & Cheryl Conrod from Catherine & David Sneddon.
- In memory of Kay Reid and Ellen MacDonald from Janice Mudge

### **To Camp MacLeod**

- in memory of Donald Ferguson from George & Susan Jessen

### **To the Choir Fund**

- In memory of Cheryl Conrod from Harold & Lynn Gillespie

## **Sunday School Easter Memorial**

On Easter Sunday the Sunday School will be placing brightly colored Easter eggs in a basket in memory of loved ones at the front of the Church. Money raised will be going to the Church. The names of those being remembered will also be read in Church and printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday. To purchase a memorial egg please put the names of those being remembered, and by whom, along with \$5.00 per name and your envelope number or address for a receipt. Please mark on envelope "Sunday School Easter Memorial". Place on the collection plate or give to one of the Sunday School Teachers. Thank You.

**The Presbytery of Cape Breton appointed me Interim Moderator of Bethel Church for the purpose of seeking to fill the impending vacancy of the congregation upon the retirement of the Rev. Robert Lyle in August of 2022. I have met with the session on four occasions between October and February. We have formed a Search Committee with representation from Session and the wider congregation. The members of this committee are Charles Greaves, David Sneddon, Jennifer March, Margie MacLeod, Heather MacQueen, Todd Gouthro and Lynn Gillespie. We thank them for agreeing to serve the congregation in this way. The committee will report to and be responsible to Session. One of its tasks will be to prepare a congregational profile. The first meeting will be held on February 28.**

**R. Ritchie Robinson**

## Mission Moment

Binda Devi lives in Karbola, India, with her husband and four kids. A year ago, the family was living a comfortable life, relying on the income from her husband's job as a labourer in a cement factory. However, one day, there was an accident that left him unable to work. With no income, the family was very worried. **Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) partner staff met with the family and, together, they came up with a plan for Binda to start a small cosmetics business.** With support from the program, she is now selling cosmetic items from village to village. The business is going well, and Binda provides for her family. This livelihood initiative is supported by PWS&D.

Worship & Nurture	Missions and Outreach	Program	Finance & Maintenance
<p>Responsible for activities concerning worship and care of the congregation</p> <p>Planning special services, care for the sick or confined to home or in nursing home</p>	<p>Responsible for promoting Mission within Bethel, the Synod and the PCC</p> <p>Presbyterians Sharing, PWS &amp; D, Special Mission Projects, The Mission work of Bethel – special needs</p>	<p>Responsible for oversight of the programs Bethel provides</p> <p>Children’s programs Family programs Outside programs</p>	<p>Responsible to provide oversight and maintenance of the properties (Church, hall, and manse) and to provide the yearly budget to the congregation</p> <p><b>REPLACES</b></p> <p><b>Board of Managers</b></p>
<p>Anniversary&amp; Music Special Services – Hymn Sings, Christmas Memorial Service, Good Friday – Easter Services Communion Preparation Ushering., Decorating</p>	<p>Special Mission Appeals Benevolent Fund Student Fund Hospital Visitation Nursing Home Visitation Loaves &amp; Fishes Bursaries to students Audio- Visual, Use of Hall Receptions after Funerals if requested</p>	<p>Sunday School Bible Study Groups Women and Men’s Groups Children’s Groups Event Planning Family Fun Day, Corn Boil</p>	

### **Session Committees**

The Session is restructuring its committees and will be looking for people from the congregation to add to the committees. There will be four committees and the terms of reference for each committee will be more fully defined as we move forward. If you are willing to be a member of a committee, please speak to an elder or someone may approach you to serve on a committee.

## Prayer Partnership

**Sunday, February 27 (Transfiguration Sunday)** God of Glory, whose son was wonderfully transfigured, give us the strength to hear and ponder the good news of his life, death and resurrection.

**Monday, February 28** We pray for empowered women in India, who are taking control of their futures by saving together and starting small businesses, with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

**Tuesday, March 1** We pray for those who have chosen a discipline to follow in the season of Lent.

**Wednesday, March 2 (Ash Wednesday)** Loving God, you hate nothing you have made, and your grace knows no bounds. You created us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Create in us clean hearts and turn us around to follow you more nearly.

**Thursday, March 3** We pray for courage and grace to help establish politics that reflect God's reign in our life and the world.

**Friday, March 4 (World Day of Prayer)** We pray for all those who work for peace and unity in the world.

**Saturday, March 5** We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island.