

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, May 1st, 2022
Third Sunday of Easter



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 #363 Now let the vault of heaven resound

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson Acts 5:27-32

Responsive Psalm 118:14-29

N.T. Epistle Lesson Revelation 1:4-8

N.T. Gospel Lesson John 20:19-31

Hymn # 257 The strife is o'er, the battle done

Sermon In the Upper Room

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Special Music

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn # 256 Now the green blade arises

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this morning. Reading this morning are Ben Furey and Catherine Sneddon.

The Finance & Maintenance Committee, formerly the Board of Managers, will meet tomorrow by Zoom on **Monday April 25th** at 7.00 pm.

Session will meet on **Tuesday, April 26th** at 7pm by Zoom.

To the Benevolent Fund

In memory of Byron MacLeod from Bradley & Angela Gillespie

To the Current Fund

In memory of parents Duncan & Florence MacQueen, Jennie Dixon and brother Art MacQueen from Charlie & Elaine Dixon

To the Choir Fund

In loving memory of Earl MacLeod from wife Geraldine and family

Mission Moment

When we give to Presbyterians Sharing, we are expressing our faith. Through the words that we use, the decisions we make and the actions we take, we proclaim God's love, hope and grace in the world God loves. **Together, as The Presbyterian Church in Canada, we are participating in Christ's mission in Canada and around the world.** We share the good news of the gospel, strengthen congregations and equip leaders. We journey toward healing and reconciliation, collaborate with ecumenical and interfaith partners, advocate for human rights, and work to restore hope. When we put our gifts into God's hands, God does remarkable things!

Prayer Partnership

Sunday, April 24 (Mission Awareness Sunday) We give thanks for the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean (Taiwan), the Rev. Dr. Blair Bertrand and the Rev. Joel Sherbino (Malawi), who are the “living links” that connect the church to our international partners.

Monday, April 25 (World Malaria Day) We pray for the elimination of malaria, and we give thanks for the global efforts to reduce the number of lives taken by this deadly disease each day.

Tuesday, April 26 We pray for stewardship and mission committees as they work to inspire vision and enthusiasm in congregations.

Wednesday, April 27 We give thanks to God for the support of church administrators.

Thursday, April 28 We pray for the members of the Committee on Education and Reception as they meet this week with candidates and ministers who have applied to be received into The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Friday, April 29 We give thanks for volunteers who are the heart and hands of their church communities.

Saturday, April 30 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Edmonton Urban Native Ministry in Alberta, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.