

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, May 29, 2022
Ascension Day



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)

Hymns # 55 God moves in a mysterious way

(tune #43)

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson Acts 16:16-34

Responsive Psalm 97

N.T. Lesson Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

N.T. Gospel Lesson John 17:20-26

Hymn #449 Lord, listen to your children playing

Sermon A prayer for us

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Special Music Bob Lyle

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Hymn # 769 Lord of light, whose name and splendour

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Benediction

Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday.

Reading this morning are Larry Victory and Gwen Shepard.

Session will meet on Tuesday, May 31st at 7:00pm by Zoom.

John Geddie AMS will meet at 2:00pm on Thursday, June 9th at the home of Judy Munroe.

The Congregation will be recognizing the Rev. Robert and Mrs. Donna Lyle for their years of dedication to the Congregation of Bethel as well as our Community and the Presbyterian Church at large as they move into the next journey in their lives. We will gather in a Service of Music on **Saturday, June 18 at 2:00pm** to extend our thanks and best wishes as they prepare for Rev R. Lyle's retirement at the end of August. There will be a reception in the church hall following the Service. Please plan to attend.

Cove Guest Home Yard Sale

Annual Cove Auxiliary yard sale will be held Saturday June 4th, 800am to 1100am at Bethel Church Hall. Donations of household articles, books, garden plants etc. will be gratefully received. Donated items may be dropped off at the church hall on Friday June 3rd between 900 AM and 100 PM or contact Joan at 564-5140. Thank You

Camp MacLeod – is looking for a male senior staff member and a male leader in training. Contact Taylor 902-578-4637

To the Current Fund

In loving memory of our dear aunt who recently passed, Racine Hillier, from The Morgan Family.

In memory of Dr. Mary Martin from Catherine & David Sneddon

Mission Moment

In Ghana, 25-year-old Dominic Anane was born with a congenital hearing disability. Like many in Ghana who have disabilities, Dominic was discriminated against. His family and community denied him formal education as a result of negative cultural attitudes associated with his disability. One day, Dominic was identified during a survey by a community-based rehabilitation staff member and enrolled in a program where he was provided with a sewing machine and vocational training in tailoring and dressmaking. **Today, Dominic has established his own business and makes dresses for**

customers in his community. Dominic expressed his gratitude: "I feel privileged to have benefitted from the community-based rehabilitation program, which has truly made my life meaningful." This livelihood program is supported by the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Prayer Calendar

Sunday, May 29 We pray for people with disabilities in Ghana, who are rising above discrimination and starting businesses with support from the church through Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Monday, May 30 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on History.

Tuesday, May 31 We pray for the ministry of Family Church of Heritage Green as the congregation continues to reach out to families in Stoney Creek, Ontario.

Wednesday, June 1 We pray for the congregations that make up the Central Alberta Shared Ministry. May they feel a strong sense of God's presence as they find new ways to share the gospel of Christ.

Thursday, June 2 We pray for the people who gather and serve at the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry in Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, June 3 We give thanks and pray for Women's Missionary Society President, Cathy Reid.

Saturday, June 4 With **World Environment Day** tomorrow (June 5), we give thanks for the creation that you, Creator, called "very good," and we pray for the flourishing of all creation.