Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, September 4th, 2022
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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 # 299   Holy, holy, holy

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament	Genesis 21:1-7
Responsive Lesson	Psalm 40:1-11
Hymn # 376	Lord, the light of your love is shining
N.T. Epistle Lesson	2 Timothy 4:1-8
N. T. Gospel Lesson	John 19:23-30
Hymn # 479	The church's one foundation
Sermon	God's work marches on

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Special Music.
Offering & Doxology
Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession
Hymn # 650   He leadeth me

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Benediction
Postlude

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Gary Grant will be leading the service this morning. Reading are Carol Ferguson and Linda Greaves.

To Current Fund
- In memory of Lois Louise Lewis from Mabel Thompson
- In memory of my dear husband Gordie MacKeigan from wife Dorothy

To Loaves & Fishes
- In memory of Lois Lewis from Roy & Nancy MacDonald

Sunday School classes will resume next Sunday, Sept. 11th.

The Worship Committee is looking for ushers for the fall. Please let Kathy Hardy 902-562-8578 or Sandra MacLeod 902-539-2467 know if you are interested.

Mission Moment

Vanea is 15 years old and lives in Malawi with her parents and four siblings. When Vanea finished primary school, she wrote an entrance exam for secondary school and was selected to attend the Neno Girls School, supported by the PCC through Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D). Sadly, Vanea's parents couldn't afford the school fees and she was forced to withdraw. PWS&D recognizes the importance of education for young girls to achieve their dreams and gain self-confidence. **PWS&D provides scholarships for orphans and vulnerable girls in Malawi to attend the Neno Girls School, who otherwise could not afford to due to financial constraints.** Vanea was one of the students selected for this scholarship and is now completing her high school education.

Prayer Calendar

Sunday, August 28 We give thanks for the Rev. Rodney Curpanen and the Respite Ministry of St. Columba in

Mauritius, providing hospitality to the families caring for people living with disabilities.

Monday, August 29 We pray for the Rev. Stephen Kendall and his family as he begins retirement after 35 years of ordained ministry—24 of which he served as a dedicated Principal Clerk of the General Assembly.

Tuesday, August 30 We pray for a spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent and treasure to share God's love in our church and throughout the world.

Wednesday, August 31 (International Day for People of African Descent) Recognizing the harmful legacy of colonization faced by people of African descent, we seek the Spirit's wisdom as we work to eliminate anti-Black racism.

Thursday, September 1 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church in Northern Saskatchewan, and we give thanks for their mission and ministry.

Friday, September 2 We pray for the people, ministries and mission of the Presbytery of Eastern Han-Ca.

Saturday, September 3 We pray for participants of the World Council of Churches' 11th Assembly in Germany as they engage in this unique global expression of unity.