

**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
**Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS**  
**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**Spring Communion**



**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

Announcements

Call to Worship:

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

Hymn #29                      Oh send thy light forth

**WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

O. T. Lesson:                      Exodus 12:43-51

Responsive Psalm:    16                                      (printed in bulletin)

Hymn #211                      Take up your cross

Children's Story

N.T. Epistle Lesson:    1 Corinthians 11:23-26

N.T. Gospel Lesson:    Luke 22:14-23

Anthem                              I will love the Lord

*by Michael Pophan & Regi Stone*

*arr. by Tom Fettke*

Message:                              Until He Comes Again

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

Hymn #507                      Break now the bread of life

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy

Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Hymn #543                      Here, O my Lord                      (vs. 1-3)

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sacrament of Communion

Prayer

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

Hymn #543                      Too soon we rise                      (vs. 4-7)

Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

### **Announcements**

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday as we celebrate Communion. Leading the service this morning is Rev. Ritchie Robinson. Reading scriptures are David Sneddon and Dennis MacIntyre. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

**Next week:** Leading the service will be Rev. Allan MacLellan. Readings will be done by Richard MacAulay and Eileen MacNeil.

John Geddie AMS will meet one week early this month. We will meet on **Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00pm in the Shaw Room.

Fun Day will be held on **Saturday, June 17** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with entertainment by Duncan Wells and the Apple in a Tree Band in the Hall. Come out with the children to enjoy some food, entertainment, and fellowship.

## **Camp MacLeod**

This year, with food prices rising, Camp MacLeod will have to stretch its food budget further than in years past. If you are able, please consider donating the following non-perishable items.

spaghetti and sauce, kraft dinner, tomato soup, chicken noodle soup, juice powder, pizza sauce, cereal, pancake mix and syrup, salsa, ketchup, mayo, salad dressing, granola bars, marshmallows, cake mixes, icing, jello, pudding, freezies, taco shells, rice, wraps.

Donations can be brought to the Camp Commissioning service or left in the vestibule at the front of the church.

Camp Commissioning Service will be held on July 2, 2023 at 2:30 at Union Presbyterian Church, Albert Bridge.

Rev. Peter MacDonald Camp Committee Convenor.

**The Worship and Nurture and Program Committees** are considering having a fellowship hour during the summer starting on July 9th and continuing every second week. Volunteers are needed for this to happen. Only cookies will be served (these can be purchased by the church unless the volunteer would like to bake). Instead of tea and coffee a cold drink would be served. This would make things easier during the summer months, and we can possibly go back to tea and coffee in the fall. The volunteer would be responsible to prepare and serve the cold drink, put the cookies on the table and clean up after. If you would like to volunteer to do a Sunday this summer you can call Linda Ross at 902-562-2962.

**The Rev. Corrie Stewart** has been appointed by the Presbytery to look after the search for a minister and to meet with the Search Committee and the Session as needed. The Rev. Ritchie Robinson will continue to look after pulpit supply, regular Session meetings and other administrative matters as they arise.

## **MINISTERIAL ASSISTANCE**

Should you require the assistance of a minister, please contact the Church Office and leave a message or contact Charles Greaves, Clerk of Session, and arrangements will be made for you.

### **Mission Moment**

In Haiti's Artibonite region, two-year-old Gloria lives with her parents and three siblings. One day, Gloria's parents noticed that their daughter would not eat, and that her breathing was laboured. **They rushed Gloria to St. Marc Hospital, supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development and its local partner. There, Gloria was diagnosed with acute malnutrition, as well as tuberculosis and edema.** Her treatment consisted of a regimen of antibiotics and therapeutic milk, administered over the course of a few weeks until she was deemed healthy enough to begin outpatient care. Not long after, Gloria had gained enough weight to assure the doctors that she had made a full recovery, both from malnutrition and tuberculosis.

## Responsive Reading – Psalm 16

<sup>1</sup> Keep me safe, my God, for in you I take refuge.

<sup>2</sup> **I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.”**

<sup>3</sup> I say of the holy people who are in the land, “They are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.”

<sup>4</sup> **Those who run after other gods will suffer more and more. I will not pour out libations of blood to such gods or take up their names on my lips.**

<sup>5</sup> LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

<sup>6</sup> **The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

<sup>7</sup> I will praise the LORD, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

<sup>8</sup> **I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

<sup>9</sup> Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

<sup>10</sup> **because you will not abandon me to the realm of the dead, nor will you let your faithful one see decay.**

<sup>11</sup> You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.