

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, July 16th, 2023



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 #814 Morning has broken

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

O. T. Lesson: Jonah 3:10-4:4

Responsive Psalm: 13

Hymn #772 Christ for the world we sing

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Luke 7:1-10

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Matthew 16:21-23

Message: Telling God what to do

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #507 Break now the bread of life

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

WE GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn #481 Blest be the tie that binds

Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Leading the service this morning is David Sneddon. Reading scriptures are Donald Brown and Catherine Sneddon. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Next week: Leading the service will be Rev. Glen Davis. Readings will be done by Beth Matheson and Todd Gouthro.

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to Carol & Keith Ferguson on the passing of Carol's father Robert Hagell.

To Benevolent Fund

In memory of Robert Hagell from Brad & Angela Gillespie.

To Current Fund

In memory of Kyle MacKillop from Gordon Gillespie

Tuesday, July 18th St Paul's, Glace Bay will be having a Strawberry Shortcake Sale, take out only, from 11:00am-1:30pm by ticket only for \$12. Please call 902- 849-2479 or 902-849-2529 to reserve tickets before July 14th.

The Worship and Nurture and Program Committee is looking for ushers for a few Sundays in August. If anyone would like to usher for one or two weeks, please call Sandra MacLeod at 902 539 2467 or 902 565 4219.

Shaw/Fraser/MacDonald Fund Bursaries: We are inviting applications this year from post-secondary students for bursaries from the Shaw Fund. Please submit your request to the Session by mail to Bethel Church or email charles.greaves@gmail.com. All applications should be submitted to be received by July 31, 2023.

Mission Moment

After their summer crop failed and they lost their agricultural loan, Moolo and his wife Babbri, who live in Pakistan, were in financial trouble and were going hungry. Given the gravity

of their situation, they managed to receive food assistance from PWS&D's partner in their community. The amount received was sufficient to cover some other basic needs and meant that the elderly couple could use their small savings to provide daily medication to their son Chandan, who has epilepsy. With their remaining savings, Moolo hoped to open a small store, but his eyesight was deteriorating. Babbri stepped up and opened the store herself, remarking, "It is because of this aid that we are not under debt, or we would have sold our goats to pay for food. But we are not in debt and still have our goats!"