

Bethel Presbyterian Church
Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS
Sunday, November 5th, 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

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Parade of Legion Members – Please stand

March on Colours Parade Commander David Piercy

Laying of the Wreaths Gordon Gillespie, RCL Branch 12

Elder Brad Gillespie & David Piercy RCL Branch 138

“O Canada” (#833)

Call to Worship – Please remain standing if you can

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

Hymn #330 O God, our help in ages past

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

O.T. Lesson: Isaiah 11:1-10

Responsive Psalm: 29

Hymn #487 Onward, Christian Soldiers

Children’s Story; Remembering

N.T. Epistle Lesson: James 3:13-18

N.T. Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:1-12

Choir Anthem: Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones

by Orrin Hatch, Lowell Alexander & Phil Naish

arr. by Keith Christopher

Message: Conflicted

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Hymn #624 Blest are they

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Prayer of Dedication

GO OUT IN SERVICE

Hymn #325 Eternal Father, strong to save
Closing Prayer and Choral Amen
Ritual of the Legion Royal Canadian Legion Branch 138
"God save the King" – Please stand
Marching off Colours – Please remain standing while the
 Legion members parade out

Announcements

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Leading the service is Gary Grant. We welcome members of Ashby Branch #138 Royal Canadian Legion who are taking part in the service this morning. Reading today are George Jessen and Chris McCall. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

Greeters today are Ivan Henderson at the Main Door and Kathy Hardy at the Choir Room Door.

Next Week: Leading the service will be Rev. Dr. Kenneth MacLeod. Readings will be done by Beth Matheson and Dennis MacIntyre.

Sympathy of the congregation is extended to Kim & Donnie Brown and family on the passing of Kim's mother Dorothy Maxwell; and also to Ada MacIntosh and family on the passing of her daughter-in-law Valerie MacIntosh.

To Benevolent Fund

- In memory of Dorothy Maxwell from Harold & Lynn Gillespie
- In memory of W.T. MacAulay and Earl MacLeod from Brad and Angie Gillespie.

- In memory of Charlie Penny from Mary & Wayne Penny and Ann Mombourquette
- In memory of Dorothy Maxwell from Joan & Gary Grant
- In memory of Dorothy Maxwell from Roy & Nancy MacDonald

John Geddie AMS will once again support the Christmas "Adopt-a-Family " program sponsored by the Every Woman's Center. If anyone would like to financially assist us in this local mission, please see any member of AMS or leave your contribution in an envelope on the Bethel offering plate on the next two Sundays. Thank you.

Our next meeting will be held in the Shaw Room at 2pm on **Thursday, November 16th**.

Saturday, November 18: An Anniversary turkey supper will be held in the Hall at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased from Linda Ross 562-2962, Sandra MacLeod 539-2467 or Kathy Hardy 562-8578. **November 12th is the cut-off date for tickets** to the Anniversary Supper.

Sunday, November 19: Bethel will be celebrating our 97th Anniversary with the Rev Ritchie Robinson as our Anniversary Speaker.

The Congregation of St. James-Knox will be celebrating their amalgamation on November 19th at 3pm. There will be music and presentations during the service, as well as time of fellowship and potluck in the church hall in the basement. Please come and celebrate with us.

Bethel's Memorial Hymn Sing will be held on Sunday, December 3rd at 7pm in the church, followed by a time of

Fellowship in the hall. Memorial donations may be placed on the offering plate or dropped off at the church office. You are asked to have your donations made by November 22nd so the Memorial Listing may be prepared for the service.

The Worship and Nurture and Program Committee is looking for volunteers to look after the fellowship hour after church. The set up would be the same as during the summer except the volunteers would be responsible for making tea. If you are interested, please phone Linda Ross 902 562 2962.

Mission Moments

In Guatemala, Leslie—a mother to four—takes great pride in the small home, built atop a former landfill site, she has owned for 15 years. To make ends meet, she sorts plastic bottles from the landfill, with her five-year-old daughter Kaitlin often accompanying her. Leslie's other daughter, Naomi, attends the PWS&D-supported Francisco Coll School. At this school, she has developed essential reading and writing skills. Leslie also participates in parenting classes, noting, "[It's] very helpful because I've changed the way I parent. I shout less. I used to come home from work and start shouting at the kids, but I've learned differently. The classes are very beneficial."