

**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
**Corner of George & Brookland St., Sydney, NS**  
**Sunday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**  
**Minister: Rev. David F. Coull, B. Sc, MDiv, MATS**



**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

Welcome and Call to Worship

Say among the nations, The Lord reigns.

**Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!**

God comes to judge the earth.

**God will judge the world with righteousness and the people with truth.**

Come, let us worship God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Blessing and honour, glory and power be to our God now and always.**

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

Hymn #691                      My shepherd is the King of love

**WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD**

O.T. Lesson:                      Jeremiah 23:1-6

Responsive Psalm:              46

Hymn #687                      Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

Children's Story

N. T. Epistle Lesson:              Colossians 1:11-20

N.T. Gospel Lesson:              Luke 1:60-79

Anthem:                      You are the salt and light      CCLI2331628  
*by Pepper Choplin*

Sermon:                      Are we the one percent?

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

Hymn #670                      Amazing grace

(Please remain standing for the offering)

Offering & Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

## **WE GO OUT IN SERVICE**

Hymn #671

I heard the voice of Jesus say

Closing Prayer and Choral Amen

### **Announcements**

We welcome everyone to this service of praise this Sunday. Reading today are Carol Ferguson and Chris McCall. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service.

**Next Week:** Readings will be done by George Jessen and Dennis MacIntyre.

### **To Current Fund**

- In memory of Joe Braunmiller from Don & Pat Munroe

### **To Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Flossie MacLean from Edna Taker
- In memory of Flossie MacLean from Diane & Fred Lynk

### **To Camp MacLeod**

In memory of Joe Braunmiller from Marie Hill

**Thursday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** Our advent study, "The unexpected cast of characters" will begin at 10:00am in the Shaw room. All are welcome.

**Friday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>** The Cove Auxiliary Christmas Bake Sale will be held from 1-3:00pm in the MacAskill Room at the Cove Guest Home, 320 Alexandra Street. Get your baking done early!

\*Note: Please bring your own bag.

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Glace Bay, is having a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> from 9-12pm. Baked goods, frozen soups, preserves, flea market and book tables.

## **ADVANCE NOTICES**

The next regular meeting of Session will be held on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Shaw Room.

### **Handel's Messiah – A Musical Celebration of Advent**

Join us for a moving performance of Handel's Messiah, performed by a choir and orchestra with members from across the CBRM. This cherished Oratorio captures the longing and hope of Advent—prophecies fulfilled, light breaking into darkness, and the joyful announcement of Christ's birth. Through Handel's inspired music and Scripture-filled text, we are invited to prepare our hearts once more for the coming of the Messiah. All are welcome to this uplifting celebration of the Advent season. Join us at Marguerite Bourgeoys Church, Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. Admission is free with a silver collection.

**Bethel Church Sanctuary** has been designated by CBRM as a heritage property. Thanks to Brad Gillespie for arranging this. A plaque denoting heritage status will be affixed to the building.

### **Prayer Group by email**

Members of the Congregation have formed a Prayer Support Group. If you know of someone who could use prayer support, whether in difficult times or joyous times, send the information to the Prayer Group at [bethelprayer.sydney@gmail.com](mailto:bethelprayer.sydney@gmail.com). This information will be shared via email to the Prayer Group members only. Please respect the confidentiality of the person you are suggesting by simply saying "a friend in need", or, if you wish to include the name, please make sure the person named is in agreement with this. If you wish to remain anonymous as the requester, please indicate this in your email. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce MacDougall or Charles Greaves.

**Bethel Presbyterian Church**  
**Christmas Hymn Sing & Memorial Light-Up**  
**December 7, 2025      3:00 PM**

During our Christmas Hymn Sing, we will be including a Memorial Light-Up Ceremony. Those interested may make a donation in memory of the person or persons they wish to be remembered. The name will be placed on a tag and that tag will be fastened to a Christmas tree type light. The names will be listed in the evening's bulletin and read at the service followed by the lights being turned on. If you wish to make a donation in memory of someone, please mark the name/s to be remembered, the name of the donors as you wish it to be published, and your name and address and church envelope number on this sheet.

Deadline for submissions is November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025

In Memory of:

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From

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Donation \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope number \_\_\_\_\_

Please place your Memorial on the Sunday morning offering plate or mail to: Bethel Presbyterian Church  
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