

Welcome to Bedford Presbyterian Church

We are glad to have you join us today.

We envision a church worshipping with joy, loving each other with compassion and reaching out to the world with grace and justice.

Worshipping with Joy

In person at 10 a.m. Sunday morning. Also livestreamed at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_GOV0WIW-EI

Downstairs

There is Children's Church for children between the ages of 3-8.
There is also a nursery and a separate room for nursing mothers.

Upcoming Events

October 22—Prayer Meeting after worship

October 27-28—Eastern Canada Presbytery

November 4—Fall Family Fun Night 5:30-7:30

Bible Studies

- **College and Career study**—Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Nathan and Laura Priddle. Studying Colossians.
- **Adult Bible study**—led by Reid Campbell Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom on the gospel of John.
- **Men's Bible study** meet on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. on the Ten Commandments. We will not meet this Thursday.
- **ISM C study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study** on Genesis led by Laura Priddle meets Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. Come early for coffee, tea and snacks.

Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- Kevin Burrell – cancer treatment
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end
- Evangelism
- Family of the week: Honza and Erin Pokorny and children

Officers of the Church

Elders

Bill Radford — Pastor

Peter Bustin

Reid Campbell

Will Perrie

Glenn Wadden

Pastor Emeritus

Don Codling

Deacons

David Campbell

Honza Pokorny

Edward Woolley

Electronic giving: You can give electronically by sending an Interac e-transfer to bedfordpca@gmail.com

At church: There is a plate for offerings on the back table.



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Bedford Presbyterian Church

Pastor Bill Radford

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Reflections

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;
worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.
The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
the Lord, over many waters.
The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.
Psalm 8:1-4

Hebrews teaches us that eternal glory is a Sabbath rest. Every day, all day, will be "Father's Day!" Thus, if here and now we learn the pleasures of a God-given weekly rhythm, it will no longer seem strange to us that the eternal glory can be described as a prolonged Sabbath!

Sinclair Ferguson

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Call to Worship *from Psalm 100*

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!

**People: Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Minister: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

**People: For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

Hymn of Praise: Psalm 100

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Call to Repentance: *1 John 1:8-10*

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Hymn of Reflection: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Confession of Sin

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness: *1 John 2:1-2*

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Songs of Renewal:

In Christ Alone
Goodness of God

New Testament Reading: Romans 12

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:1-11

Sermon: Remember the Sabbath

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Closing Hymn: Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners

Benediction

Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Remember the Sabbath