

## 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=R-kKpg1QkX4>

**Electronic giving:** You can give electronically by sending an Interac e-transfer to [bedfordpca@gmail.com](mailto:bedfordpca@gmail.com)

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

### 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

### 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.
- **ISMC 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
- Brian Quick – family of the week

### Elders

Bill Radford — Pastor

Peter Bustin

Reid Campbell

Will Perrie

Glenn Wadden

### Pastor Emeritus

Don Codling

### Deacons

David Campbell

Honza Pokorny

Edward Woolley

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### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the Life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

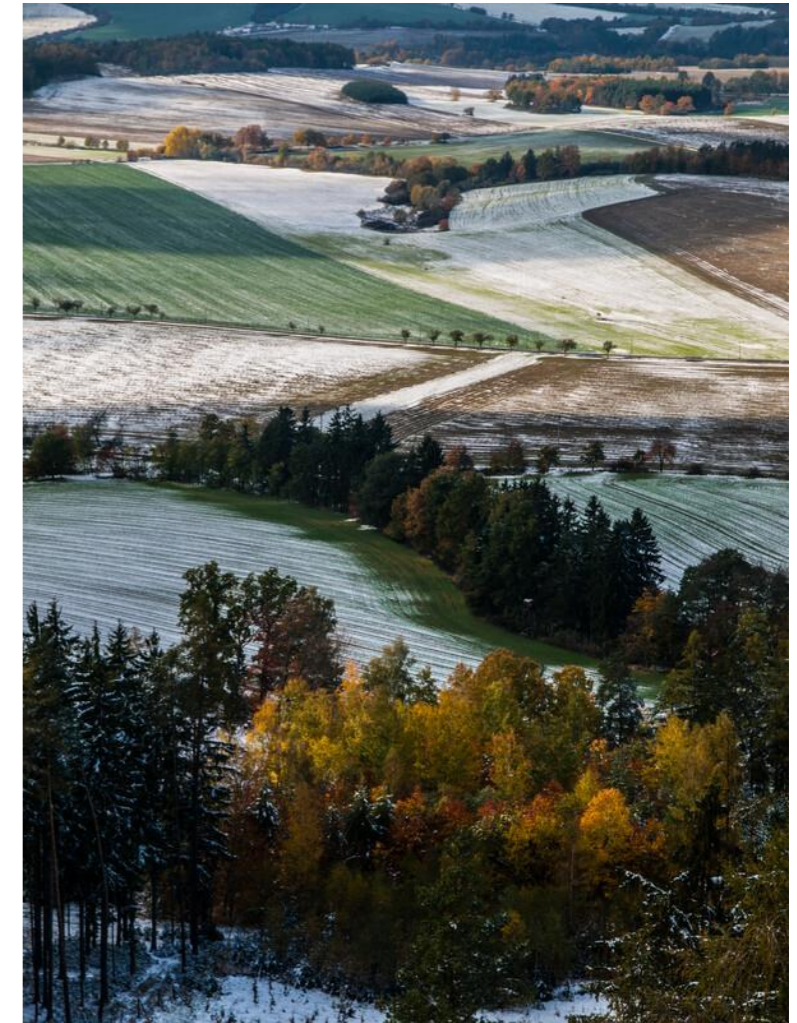
### Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

### Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

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## Bedford Presbyterian Church

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## Reflections

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*1 Timothy 1:15-17*

**Q.** 135. What are the duties required in the sixth commandment?

**A.** The duties required in the sixth commandment are, all careful studies, and lawful endeavours, to preserve the life of ourselves and others by resisting all thoughts and purposes, subduing all passions, and avoiding all occasions, temptations, and practices, which tend to the unjust taking away the life of any; by just defence thereof against violence, patient bearing of the hand of God, quietness of mind, cheerfulness of spirit; a sober use of meat, drink, physic, sleep, labor, and recreation; by charitable thoughts, love, compassion, meekness, gentleness, kindness; peaceable, mild, and courteous speeches and behavior: forbearance, readiness to be reconciled, patient bearing and forgiving of injuries, and requiting good for evil; comforting and succoring the distressed, and protecting and defending the innocent.

*Westminster Larger Catechism*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

**Call to Call to Worship** *Psalm 71:1-3*

Minister: In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame!

**People: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;  
incline your ear to me, and save me!**

Minister: Be to me a rock of refuge,  
to which I may continually come;

**People: You have given the command to save me,  
for you are my rock and my fortress.**

**Hymn of Praise:** A Mighty Fortress is our God

**Old Testament Reading:** Exodus 20:1-17

**Call to Repentance:** Psalm 103:8-10

The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.  
He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

**Hymn of Reflection:** Psalm 103

### Confession of Sin

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

### Silent Confession

**Declaration of Forgiveness:** Psalm 103:11-12

For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;  
as far as the east is from the west,

### Songs of Renewal:

From the Inside Out

Jesus I Need You

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 5:21-26

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**New Testament Reading:** 1 John 3:11-18

## Sermon: Do Not Murder

*Pastor Bill Radford*

**Professing our Faith:** Heidelberg Q#1

**The Lord's Supper**

**Closing Hymn:** And Can it Be

### 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: Do Not Murder