

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=l1b4-K2fbkU>

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.

Downstairs

There is Children's Church for children between the ages of 3-10.

There is also a nursery and a separate room for nursing mothers.

Check out our updated website – bedfordpca.org

Mother's Day Luncheon: May 11, 11 a.m –1 p.m. at the church

EAL Ministry continues April 17, 12:30-2 p.m.

Bible Studies

- **College and Career study** on Romans, Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Nathan and Laura Priddle.
- **Adult Bible study:** Studying Leviticus, via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm., led by Reid Campbell.
- **Men's Bible study** meets on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. on the Sacraments.
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study** on "God of Covenant" (Genesis 12-50), led by Laura Priddle, meets Wednesday mornings at 9:30. 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—for cancer treatment to be effective
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- for Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end
- Evangelism
- Chris Dyck, Katy Chan, James, William L, Ginny, William D, Sophie family of the week

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

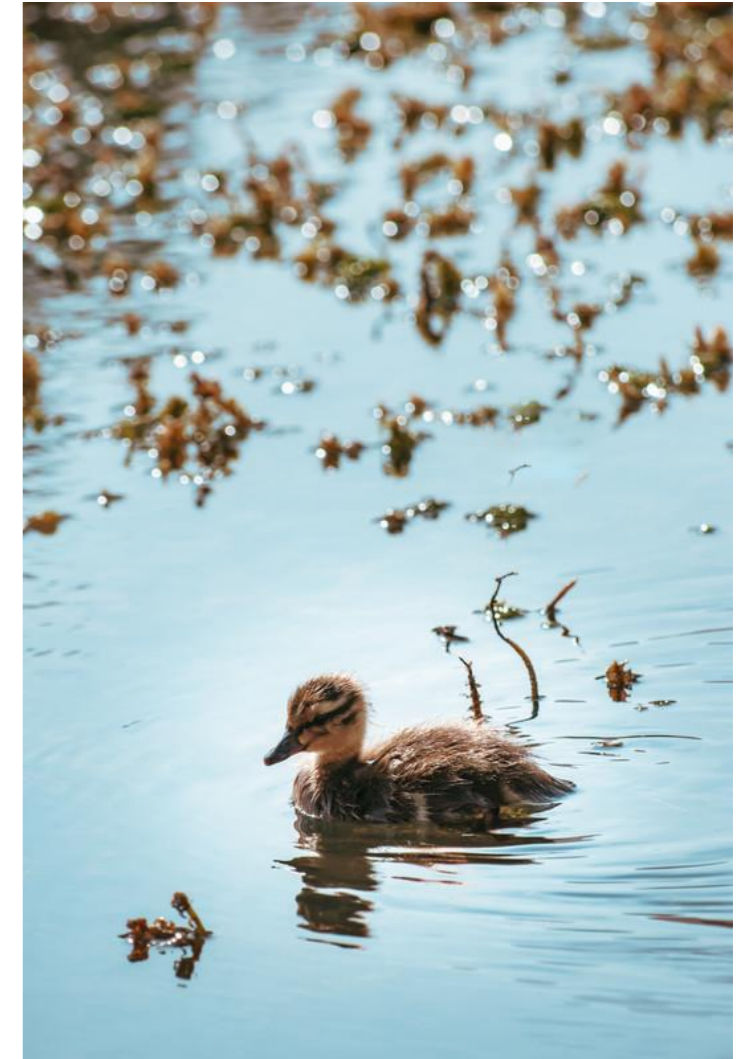
Covenant Baptism

Covenant Baptism Questions for the Parents

1. **Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?**
2. **Do you claim God's covenant promises in their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?**
3. **Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?**

To the congregation

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?



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Reflections

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed?
And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?
And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they
preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are
the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring good
news of good things!"

Romans 10:14-15

All men desire peace, but very few desire things that make for peace.
Thomas a' Kempis

"Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is
restless until it finds its rest in thee."

Augustine of Hippo

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Worship *from Psalm 85*

Minister: Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.

**People: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints;
but let them not turn back to folly.**

Minister: Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.

**People: Steadfast love and faithfulness meet;
righteousness and peace kiss each other.
Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.**

Minister: Yes, the Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.

**People: Righteousness will go before him
and make his footsteps a way.**

Hymn of Praise: Before the Throne of God Above

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 55*

Call to Repentance: *1 John 1:9-10*

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: *Psalm 22*

Confession of Sin

Our gracious God and Father, it is your will that we should love you
with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we
are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections
continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to
slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness.
Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your Holy Spirit and make your
Word the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your Son,
Jesus, that we may live before the world to your glory. 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.

Covenant Baptism: [James Josiah Bruce Woolley](#)

Song of Renewal:

All in All
Hosanna

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 5:9-10*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Epistle Reading: *Ephesians 2:11-22*

Sermon: Blessed are the Peacemakers

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Closing Hymn: *How Great Thou Art*

Benediction

Dismissal

Sermon: Blessed are the Peacemakers