

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=RyaTH98iq44>

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

Sermon discussion after worship - downstairs

Bible Studies

- **Summer Bible study: Wednesday, July 31, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.**
- **College and Career study**—on summer break
- **Adult Bible study**—on summer break
- **Men's Bible study**—on summer break
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study**—on summer break

Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- Kevin Burrell
- Emily Walker—praise for healing
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end.
- Evangelism
- Family of the week: Tambala family. Smartex, Barbara and their 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



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Reflections

Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

Luke 6:36-38

Many pastors criticize me for taking the gospel so seriously. But do they really think that on judgment day, Christ will chastise me and say, “Jonathan, you took me way too seriously?”

Jonathan Hayashi

The quality of mercy is not strained.

It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven

Upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed:

It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.

'Tis mightiest in the mightiest. It becomes

The thronèd monarch better than his crown.

William Shakespeare

Welcome and Announcements

Ministry Update: Sam Radford

Invocation

Call to Worship *from Psalm 9*

Minister: -.the Lord sits enthroned for ever;

he has established his throne for justice,

**People: and he judges the world with righteousness;
he judges the peoples with uprightness.**

Minister:The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

**People: And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.
Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion!
Tell among the peoples his deeds!**

***Hymn of Praise:** Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Old Testament Reading: 1 Chronicles 16:8-14

Call to Repentance: Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet,

they shall be as white as snow;

though they are red like crimson,

they shall become like wool.

Song of Reflection: Abide with Me

Confession of Sin

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness: Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Songs of Renewal:

Psalm 46

Mercy is More

New Testament Reading: Romans 14:1-12

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

***Doxology**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 7:1-6

Sermon: Specks, Logs and Pearls

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Closing Hymn: O God Our Help in Ages Past

Benediction

Dismissal

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