

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=zx4xjW-UYgw>

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 following worship

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

Bible Studies

- **Adult Bible study**— on Hebrews led by Reid Campbell Wednesday evening at 7:30 via Zoom.
- **Men's Bible study**— 7:15 Wednesdays at the home of Nathan Priddle
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study** on Revelation on Wednesday at 9:30 at Laura Priddle's home

Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- Nathan Priddle recovering from an ulcer
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittny Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- Kevin Burrell's family mourning
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end
- Evangelism
- Family of the week: Helen Lau

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

COMMUNION PRAYERS

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

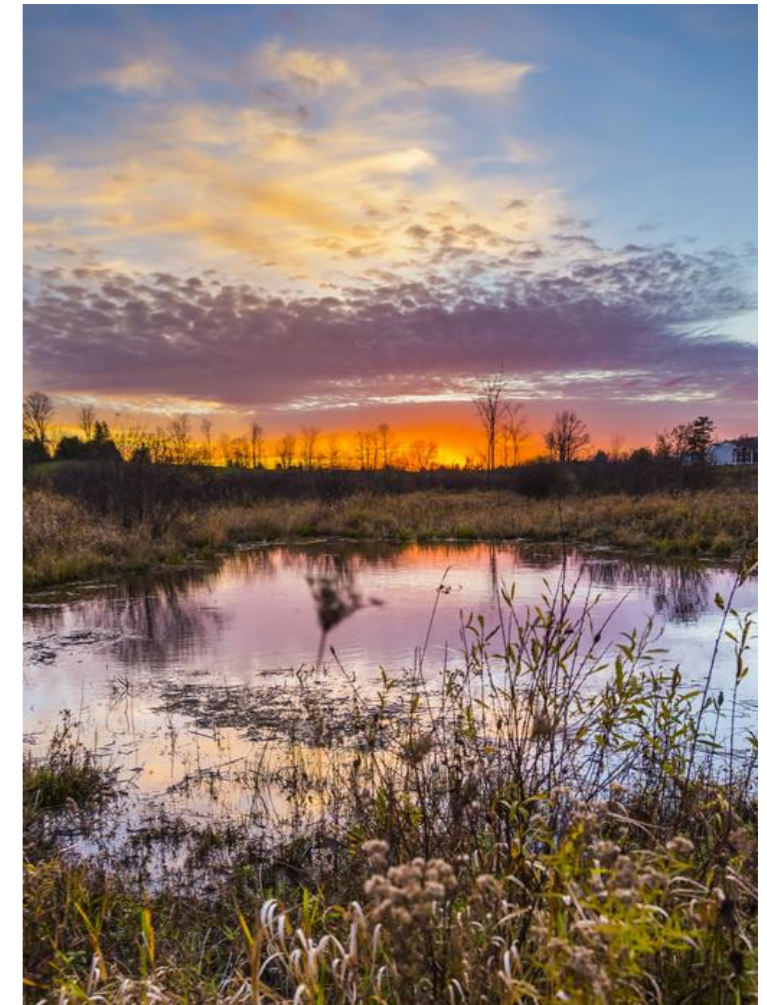
Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the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

Call to Worship 1 Peter 2:9-10 (personalized); Psalm 95:6-7

... you are a chosen race,
a royal priesthood,
a holy nation,
God's own people,
**that we may proclaim the praises
of him who called us
out of darkness
into his marvellous light.**

Once you were no people
but now we are God's people.

Once you had not received mercy
but now we have received mercy.

O come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the Lord our maker;

**For he is our God;
and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.**

Invocation

***Song of Praise:** In Christ Alone

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

Call to Repentance: Proverbs 28:13

“Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.”

Song of Reflection: Psalm 145

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess to you our sinful nature—prone to evil and slow to do good—and all our shortcomings and offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy on us. We are ashamed and sorry for all our rebellious deeds. Teach us to hate our sin. Cleanse us from our secret sins and forgive us for the sake of your Son. O most holy and loving Father, send your purifying grace into our hearts, that from now on we may live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the word of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness: Proverbs 28:13

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Songs of Renewal:

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
King of Kings

New Testament Reading: Mark 10:35-45

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

***Doxology**

Gospel Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10

Sermon: Salvation in Christ

Ben Reid, Intern at Christ Church, Halifax

Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Professing our Faith: Apostles Creed

Partaking of Christ

***Closing Hymn:** Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Benediction

Dismissal

Minister: Having been saved and renewed by the grace of Christ, let us engage in the good works which he prepared for us, through that showing the world the love he poured out on us and offers them.

All: Thanks be to God!

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