

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://youtube.com/live/UcVJ9O1tth8?feature=share>

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

EAL Ministry continues May 22 – 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**—On Leviticus, led by Reid Campbell via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.
- **Men's Bible study** meets on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Radfords' home, studying the Sacraments.
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study** on Genesis 12-50 led by Laura Priddle meets Wednesday morning 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: cancer treatment to be effective
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- for 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.

Open Door Centre Fundraiser

Open Door Centre provides a safe place for youth who are sexually exploited or who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. On Mother's Day we invite you to pick up a HEY (Helping Exploited Youth) box or a baby bottle and fill it generously. Bring the box or bottle back with your donation inside, on Father's Day. Your gift is tax deductible. We are so thankful for your partnership with us! To find out more about Open Door visit opendoorcentre.com



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Pastor Bill Radford

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Reflections

¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. ²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

James 1:19-21

“Learn this from me. Holding anger is a poison. It eats you from inside. We think that hating is a weapon that attacks the person who harmed us. But hatred is a curved blade. And the harm we do, we do to ourselves.”

Mitch Albom

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Worship – Psalm 36:5-9

Minister: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

**People: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;
your judgments are like the great deep;
man and beast you save, O Lord.**

Minister: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

**People: The children of mankind take refuge in
the shadow of your wings.**

Minister: They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

**People: For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light do we see light.**

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

Old Testament Reading: *Deuteronomy 5:6-21*

Call to Repentance: *Luke 15:10*

I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Song of Reflection: Psalm 23

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness *Acts 13:38-39a*

“Therefore, my friends, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you. Through him everyone who believes is set free from every sin...

Songs of Renewal:

We Praise You O God our Redeemer Creator
Before the Throne of God Above

New Testament Reading: *Ephesians 4:25-32*

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Doxology

Gospel Reading: *Matthew 5:21-32*

Sermon: But I Say to You

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Closing Hymn: There is a Redeemer

Benediction

Dismissal

Sermon: But I Say to You