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=E6Gq2vO2HMO

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 website; bedfordpca.org

Prayer before worship: 9:45 a.m.

Reception following worship for the Kalinchenko family

Bible Studies

- Adult Bible study—7:30 p.m. on Jeremiah. Meeting on Zoom and led by Reid Campbell. Next meeting is Feb. 19
- Men's Bible study—7:15 p.m. on Galatians. Meeting Wednesdays at the home of Nathan Priddle.
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- Women's Bible Study— Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Laura Priddle on the book of Acts. Next meeting ext Feb. 19.

Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- those affected by the fires in California
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end.
- Evangelism

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

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Bedford Presbyterian Church

Pastor Bill Radford February 16, 2025 www.bedfordpca.org 49 Nelsons Landing Blvd. Bedford, NS

Reflections

"At such times, the heart of man turns instinctively towards his Maker. In prosperity, and whenever there is nothing to injure or make him afraid, he remembers Him not, and is ready to defy Him; but place him in the midst of dangers, cut him off from human aid, let the grave open before him, then it is, in the time of his tribulation, that the scoffer and unbelieving man turns to God for help, feeling there is no other hope, or refuge, or safety, save in his protecting arm."

Solomon Northup, Twelve Years a Slave

The absence of God in most spheres of life is perceived to be normal, and even Christians feel it as normal - which is why absorbing the culture all around us and its priorities is so dangerous.

John Piper

Heaven have mercy on us all—Presbyterians and Pagans alike—for we are all somehow dreadfully cracked about the head, and sadly need mending. Herman Melville, Moby Dick

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Worship from Psalm 118

Minister: The LORD is my strength and my song;

he has become my salvation.

Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

People: Open to us the gates of righteousness,

that we may enter through them and give thanks

to the LORD.

Minister: This is the gate of the LORD;

the righteous shall enter through it.

People We thank you Lord, that you have answered us

and have become my Our salvation.

Minister: The stone that the builders rejected has

become the cornerstone.

People: This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made:

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Hymn of Praise: All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 32:22-32

Call to Repentance from Mark 1:14-15

Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Song of Reflection: More than Conquerors

Confession of Sin

Sovereign Lord, we recognize that you alone are worthy of our love and allegiance, but you know that our hearts are weak and prone to follow other kings. Have mercy upon us. Forgive us because of your Son, whose Passion tames our passions. Heal us that we may be whole. Subdue us in heart, mind and will for your purposes and restore to us the joy of your salvation. For only when you reign supreme within us will our hearts be genuinely free to enjoy the wonder of the life you have given to us in Christ Jesus our King. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness: Ephesians 2:17-19

And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God

Reception of New Members Serhii, Viktoriia, Vlad, and Oleh Kalinchenko

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

*Doxology

New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

Songs of Renewal:

Psalm 90A

The Stand

Gospel Reading: John 14:1-12; 24-27

Sermon: Heart Trouble

Pastor Bill Radford

Closing Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Benediction

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