

## 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=EUvhNIjMsRc>

### Downstairs

There is Children's Church for children between the ages of 3 to 10. There is also a nursery and a separate room for nursing mothers.

Check out our website: [bedfordpca.org](http://bedfordpca.org)

Prayer before worship: 9:45 a.m.

English Conversation Group: 1 p.m., Wednesday, April 23, 2025

### Bible Studies

- **Adult Bible study**—7:30 p.m. Wednesdays meeting on Zoom. Led by Reid Campbell.
- **Men's Bible study**—will not meet this week
- **ISMC study groups** are meeting—contact Will or Chi Perrie.
- **Women's Bible Study**—a Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Laura Priddle. Studying the book of Acts.

### Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- upcoming election
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end.
- Evangelism
- Family of the week: Braga Family  
Tarcisio, Erika and Chloe

## Officers of the Church

### Elders

Bill Radford—Pastor

Peter Bustin

Reid Campbell

Will Perrie

Glenn Wadden

### Pastor Emeritus

Don Codling

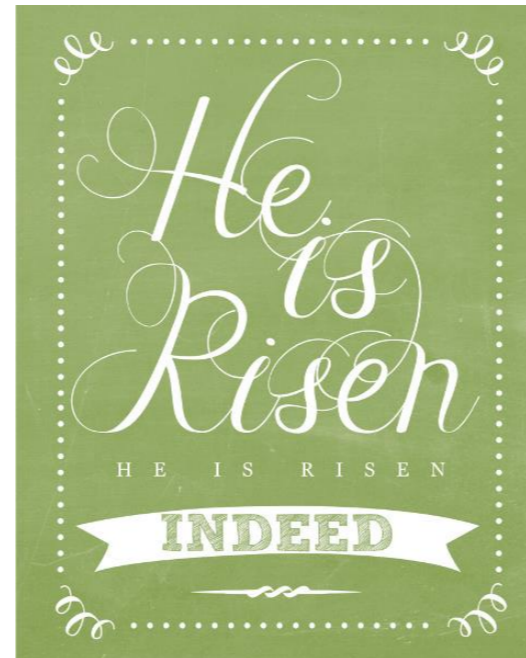
### Deacons

David Campbell

Honza Pokorny

Edward Woolley

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## Bedford Presbyterian Church

Pastor Bill Radford

April 20, 2025

Resurrection Sunday

[www.bedfordpca.org](http://www.bedfordpca.org)

49 Nelsons Landing Blvd.

Bedford, NS

## Reflections

"He is not here, for he has risen, as he said."

*Matthew 28:6*

"On the Day of the Lord—the day that God makes everything right, the day that everything sad comes untrue—on that day the same thing will happen to your own hurts and sadness. You will find that the worst things that have ever happened to you will in the end only enhance your eternal delight. On that day, all of it will be turned inside out and you will know joy beyond the walls of the world. The joy of your glory will be that much greater for every scar you bear. So live in the light of the resurrection and renewal of this world, and of yourself, in a glorious, never-ending, joyful dance of grace."

*Timothy J. Keller, Jesus the King*

## Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

**Hymn of Invitation:** Worship Christ, the Risen King #286

### Call to Worship

Minister: Where O death is your victory? Where O death is your sting?

**People:** *(with a great voice)* Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Minister: Christ the Lord is risen.

**People:** *(louder still)* The Lord is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

**Hymn of Praise:** Christ the Lord is Risen Today #277

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:1-18

**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.

**Hymn of Reflection:** Amazing Grace

## Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and to humbly confess to you our unbelief. While we know and believe that Jesus died for us on the cross, and that he was raised for us from the dead, we admit it often makes too little difference in our lives. Forgive us, we pray. Enable us to fully embrace the truth of the gospel: that our love for you may flourish, that our obedience may be wholehearted and joyful, and that our witness may be more courageous. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior, and triumphant Lord. Amen.

## Silent Confession

**Declaration of Forgiveness:** Romans 10:9-10

. . . if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

## Song of Renewal:

Hallelujah for the Cross

Rejoice the Lord is King

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:19-23

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Doxology**

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:24-31

## Sermon: The Resurrection

**Closing Hymn:** Crown Him with Many Crowns

**Benediction**

**Dismissal**

Minister: He is Risen

**People: He is Risen Indeed**

**All: Thanks, be to God!**

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