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=Izgnw3Je rA

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.

Bible Studies

- Adult Bible study— 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays on Zoom. Led by Reid Campbell. On summer break.
- 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 summer break.

Pray for:

- · the missionaries we support
- Don Codling recovering from bypass surgery
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end
- Evangelism
- Semenov family (Tatiana's father with lung cancer)
- Joanna Nowak: family of the week

Officers of the Church

Elders

Bill Radford—Pastor

Peter Bustin

Reid Campbell

Will Perrie

Glenn Wadden

Pastor Emeritus

e-transfer to bedfordpca@gmail.com

Don Codling

Electronic giving: You can give electronically by sending an Interac

Deacons

David Campbell

Honza Pokorny Edward Woollev

And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Colossians 1:17 (ESV)



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Reflections

"God creates out of nothing. Wonderful you say. Yes, to be sure, but he does what is still more wonderful: he makes saints out of sinners."

Søren Kierkegaard, The Journals of Kierkegaard

"We all long for Eden, and we are constantly glimpsing it: our whole nature at its best and least corrupted, its gentlest and most human, is still soaked with the sense of exile."

J.R.R. Tolkien, The Letters of J.R.R. Tolkien

Amazing love! How can it be, That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me? 'Tis mystery all: th'Immortal dies: Who can explore His strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries To sound the depths of love divine.

And Can It Be, Charles Wesley

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Worship Psalm 145:8-13

Minister: The LORD is gracious and merciful,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

People: The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over

all that he has made.

Minister: All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,

People: And all your saints shall bless you!

Minister: They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom

and tell of your power

People: To make known to the children of man, your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Minister: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, People: And your dominion endures throughout

all generations.

Hymn of Praise: Holy, Holy, Holy

Old Testament Reading: Daniel 7:9-14

Call to Repentance: 1 John 1:8-10

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Hymn of Reflection: Psalm 1

Confession of Sin

Our gracious God and Father, it is your will that we should love you with heart, soul, mind, strength, and our neighbor as ourselves, but we are not sufficient for these things. We confess that our affections continually turn away from you: from purity to lust, from freedom to slavery, from compassion to indifference, from fullness to emptiness. Have mercy on us. Order our lives by your Holy Spirit and make your Word the joy of our hearts. Conform us to the image of your Son, Jesus, that we may live before the world to your glory. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness: 1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Baptism of Yan Qin Wang

Song of Renewal:

Christ the Lord is Risen Today We Believe

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:1-8

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer Doxology

Epistle Reading: Revelation 1:8-18

Sermon: The Alpha and the Omega

Pastor Bill Radford

Closing Hymn: How Great Thou Art

Benediction Dismissal

Minister: Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: The Alpha and the Omega