

# 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=WrqzJmVQ-iA>

## 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.

**1 p.m., Wednesday January 7, 2026:** English Conversation Group meets at the church

**January 11, 2026:** The Lords' Supper will be celebrated next on January 11.

**January 11, 2026:** The installation service for Pastor Jim Poopalapillai will be held on Sunday January 11 as part of our regular 10 a.m. worship service. Ben Jolliffe, pastor of Resurrection Church in Ottawa, will officiate and bring the message from God's Word. We will have a reception following the service so if you are able, please bring sandwiches, snacks or hors d'oeuvres to share.

## Bible Studies

- **Adult Bible study:** 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays on Isaiah via Zoom. Led by Reid Campbell. Meets next on January 7.
- **ISMCA 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 Romans. Next meets on January 7, 2026. Also meets every other Monday evening at 7 p.m.

## Pray for:

- the missionaries we support
- Christ Church Halifax (Michael and Brittney Chhangur)
- Harbour Light Church
- persecuted Christians throughout the world
- peace in Israel
- the attack on Ukraine to end
- evangelism
- the Semenov family and Tatiana's father Volodomir who is suffering with lung cancer
- Eileen de Boer and Eliza Woolley, both looking forward to birth of their babies
- family of the week: Chris and Katy Dyck and their children James, William L., Ginny, William D. and Sophie

## Officers of the Church

### Elders

Jim Poopalapillai—Pastor Elect  
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](mailto:bedfordpca@gmail.com)

Many are the plans in  
the mind of a man,  
but it is the purpose  
of the Lord that will  
stand.

Proverbs 19.21 (ESV)



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January 4, 2026

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## Welcome and Announcements

### Invocation

\* **Call to Worship** *from Psalm 36*

Minister: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth,  
sing praise to the Lord,

**People:** To him who rides the ancient skies above,  
who thunders with mighty voice.

Minister: Proclaim the power of God,  
whose majesty is over Israel,  
whose power is in the skies.

**People:** You are awesome, O God, in your sanctuary;  
the God of Israel gives power and strength to  
His people. Praise be to God!

**Hymn of Praise:** Crown Him with Many Crowns

**Old Testament Reading:** Joshua 7

**Call to Repentance:** Joel 2:12-13

Yet even now, declares the Lord, return to me with all your heart,  
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your  
hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God for he  
is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in  
steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

**Song of Reflection:** Psalm 139

### Confession of Sin

Almighty God, grant that as our sins cry continually to heaven, each  
of us may repent, and by admitting our own guilt may anticipate your  
judgment. You are the just judge whom we have provoked to  
condemn us. As you bring us to repent, Lord, grant us your pardon  
for our many sins and for the inner sin from which they spring. In your  
forgiveness we find you to be our Father instead of our judge.  
Gracious Father, preserve us in this life, until that day when we have  
put off all our vices. Grant that we may move steadily towards the  
perfection of purity, to which you call us, that we may be holy as you  
are holy. Lead us more and more to yourself by your Spirit. Separate  
us from the corruptions of this world, that we may glorify you before  
men, and be at last made partakers of the heavenly glory which your  
Son, our Lord Jesus, has purchased for us by his blood. Amen.

## Silent Confession

**Declaration of Forgiveness:** 1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins  
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**Song of Renewal:**

Amazing Love  
Here is Love vast as the Ocean

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 24:44-53

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

\***Doxology**

**New Testament Reading:** Acts 4: 32-5:11

**Sermon: Ananias and Sapphira**

Reid Campbell

**Closing Hymn:** And Can It Be

**Benediction**

**Dismissal**

## Sermon: Ananias and Sapphira

a. Introduction

b. The Early Church Context

c. The Sin of Ananias and Sapphira

d. The Penalty

e. Conclusion/Application