

Clifton Pastoral Charge

Old Barns and Hilden United Churches

We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge

Clergy: Reverend Phillip Kennedy

Organists: Old Barns--Beckie Burrows, Hilden--Edith Selwyn-Smith

Church Bulletin Secretary: Judy Loughead

Mission Statement: To provide a friendly welcoming, caring, and safe environment to promote spiritual growth.

November 12th, 2023

Joint Service in Old Barns

Led by Rev. Shannon MacLean

from St. Andrew's United - Pulpit Exchange

Music provided by - Choir Members

Readers - Karen Archibald Waugh

Prelude

Introit *"What Shall I Pour?"*

By Ali Barrington & James McGowan from the Gathering 2019 UCRD

Welcome & Life & Work of the Charge

Celebrations and Birthdays, Prayer Requests

Greeting Your Neighbour

Land Acknowledgment

(Response)

As we commit to working towards reconciliation, may the Creator hold us gently.

Lighting of the Unity Candle

Lighting of the Christ Candle, Sacred Silence, Prayer of Opening

Call to Worship

Hymn (MV# 1) *"Let Us Build a House"*

Story Time with Shannon

Special Music *"Deep in Our Hearts"*

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Scripture Matthew 25: 1-13

Sermon

Hymn (MV #138) *"My Love Colours Outside the Lines"*

Prayer of Confession

A New Creed (VU #918)

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

(VU #400) *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"*

Focus on Giving

Offertory Prayer

Hymn (VU #642) *"Be Thou My Vision"*

Commissioning / Benediction

Sung Response (MV #221) *"I Am Walking a Path of CHANGE"*

Postlude

OLD BARNs ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 2023 Financial Report

Old Barns United Church

Bank Balance Sep 30, 2023		276.33
Receipts	8,079.40	
Expenses	7,048.22	
Bank Balance Oct 31, 2023		1,307.51
M&S	1,748.00	
World Development	295.00	
Water of Life	100.00	
Thanksgiving M&S	235.00	
Middle East	100.00	

Note: In October we spent \$1,969.82 more than we took in. We keep moving into a bigger deficit each month. We are now down \$34,241.65 year to date. In October I had to transfer \$3,000.00 from another account in order to pay the bills.

November 16th - Thursday, 12:30 to 2:00 p.m., **Bible Study.**

November 14th - Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., **Old Barns Cemetery Annual Meeting** in the Russell Room.

December 2nd - Saturday, 7:00 p.m., Old Barns United Church presents - “**CLIFTON FAMILY CHRISTMAS**” - A great way to kick off the Yuletide Season, once again featuring Highway 236 & Friends! Free-will offering plus a “*Christmas Goodie Auction*” with all proceeds donated to the Colchester Food Bank. We are very excited that Santa Claus has agreed to make a special appearance once again this year. Santa is looking forward to seeing everyone, and meeting with the Children for a photo & special treat.

HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 24th - Friday, 7:00 p.m., The annual **Christmas Tree Lighting** will happen at the Hilden United Church Hall. Join us for cookies and hot chocolate, carol singing, and a very special visitor!

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

M&S Report for October is \$2,988 of which \$295 was World Development & Relief for a total of \$25,839. This is only down \$360 which is amazing. In addition, \$100 was donated to the Middle East Conflict and \$100 to Water of Life. Thank you for your continued support of Mission and Service.

November 18th - Saturday, 3:00-5:00pm, **Community Dinner** (*Take Out Only – Free of Charge*) St. John’s Anglican, Church Street, Truro. Macaroni and Cheese with a Biscuit, Brownies and Cookies, Fruit and Vegetables. *Sponsored by Brunswick Street United and First United Church.*

November 24th & 25th - Friday & Saturday, Hilden church sponsoring **Baked Beans & Brown Bread Take-Out Supper.** Pick up between 3:00-5:00pm at the church hall. Cost \$14.00.

June 1st, 2024 - Saturday, The **20th Anniversary** celebration of *Water of Life* will be held at Bible Hill Recreation Park (off College Rd.) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with a walk-a-thon, BBQ lunch, wishing well, (more details after our November meeting).

Lectionary Readings Next Week - November 19th

Scriptures:

Message:

Worship Services Schedule

Nov 19 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

Nov 26 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

Dec 3 - 9:30 a.m. in Old Barns, 11:00 a.m. in Hilden - First Sunday of Advent

Dec 10 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns - Second Sunday of Advent

Bookings -

Old Barns - contact Reg Henderson at 902-895-0740 or

rhenderson8@hotmail.com

Hilden - contact Frank Arseneau at 902-897-4080

Bulletin Announcements - contact Judy at 902-895-7243 or

lougheadjd@gmail.com by Wednesday evening.

Charge Website - cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Church bulletins & video of services are available on the website under the heading "Worship". **All Policies** - (*Funerals, Marriages, Baptisms or Blessings*) are located under the heading "About Us".

Clerks of Sessions - to contact the Session with any questions or concerns regarding the Spiritual Life of the church or to request a baptism or wedding, please contact your Clerk of Session:

Old Barns - *Leslie Burrows* 902-890-4682 or email

obsession@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Hilden - *Pam Henley* 902-953-1107 or email phenley@bellaliant.net

Minutes for Mission playlists at www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada

stories and photos on www.united-church.ca

Need a Drive to Church (OB) - Contact Gordie at 902-895-6833

Old Barns Treasurer - regarding church business or e-transfer donations

contact Bob Francis at oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Social Committee (OB) - contact Leslie Burrows at 902-890-4682

The Reverend Phillip Kennedy can be reached at 902-957-4727 (cell) or by

email at phillip.kennedy@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Visitation - If you, or someone you know, want or need a pastoral care visit, please contact either the Clerk of Session or the minister, Rev. Phillip Kennedy.