

**Clifton Pastoral Charge**

Old Barns and Hilden United Churches

*We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge*

**Organist:** Old Barns – Beckie Burrows | Hilden – Edith Selwyn-Smith

**Bulletin Secretary:** Mallery Thomas

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

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January 25, 2026

Hilden United Church Service

**INTROIT – Chorus A Light Is Gleaming VU 82**

Call to Worship –

What does it mean to be salt and light to the world?

**Salt preserves, Light keeps things from being hidden.**

What does it mean to be salt and light to the world?

**To hold on to what is good. To hold on to what is right.**

**To hold on to what is just, To shine in the back rooms of oppression.**

**To shine in the prisons of fear. To shine in places that have no hope.**

This is salt and light to the world.

**This is Christ's people- salt and light -hope and wonder - in and with the world!**

As salt and light, as hope and wonder, let us worship God!

**ALLELUIA!**

Welcome /Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

We give thanks today that we are able to worship on land that is the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq. As Treaty people, may we continue to seek ways to foster peace and friendship among all.

**ALL MY RELATIONS**

Lighting the Christ's Candle

**Hymn and Reading VU 642 Be Thou My Vision**

Opening Prayer

**Hymn & Reading VU 651 Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah**

Scriptures - Isaiah 9: 1-4 Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 Matthew 4: 12-17

**Hymn & Reading VU 365 Jesus Loves Me**

Short message (in place of children's story)

**Hymn & Reading VU 337 Blessed Assurance**

Anthem & Reading – Count Your Blessing

Offering Prayer

**Prayers of People - VU 952**

**Hymn & Reading VU 232 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

Benediction

Sung Response - Go Now in Peace

## **Lectionary Readings**

Scriptures:

Theme:

## **Worship Service Schedule**

January 25 – 10:00am Hilden United Church

### **Booking-**

**Old Barns**- contact Reg Henderson @ 902-895-0740

or [rlhenderson8@hotmail.com](mailto:rlhenderson8@hotmail.com)

**Hilden**- contact Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636 or

Diane Creelman 902-897-4493

**Bulletin Announcements** - contact Mallory Thomas

[secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](mailto:secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

**Charge Website** - [cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](http://cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

Church bulletins & video of service 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 Session** -

**Old Barns** – Barb Miller

**Hilden** - Position to be filled

**Minutes for Mission** playlists at

[www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada](http://www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada)

Stories and Photos on [www.united-church.ca](http://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](mailto:oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

**Social Committee (OB)** - contact Julia Blois at 902-893-2641 (OB)

Glenda MacDonald 902-897-6123 (Hilden)

**Visitation:** Please contact your pastoral elders

Hilden - April Canton-Austin and Sheila Marshall

Old Barns – Karen Archibald-Waugh and Barb Miller

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