

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 Loughhead

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

May 1, 2022
Old Barns & Hilden
Easter III

Music provided by - (OB) Choir Members
(H) Choir Members

Scripture Reader - (OB) Leslie Burrows
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Prelude

Introit (VU #167) 3Xs *“Christ Is Risen from the Dead”*

Welcome & Life & Work of the Charge

Celebrations and Birthdays

Statement of Reconciliation

Long before those of us who are settlers, and those of us who are descendants of settlers, came to this land, there were already people here. Many Nations of people lived— and live—on the land we call Canada, given responsibility by the Creator to be the first stewards of this land and all that lives on it. We know these people as Indigenous.

Today, as we remember what it means to live thankfully, let us give thanks for the Indigenous peoples of this land – and let us remember that we worship God on the historic and unceded territory of the Mi’kmaq. As Christ’s people, let us be people of Love, of Truth, and of Reconciliation.

Lighting of the Unity Candle, Christ Candle, Silence, Prayer

Call to Worship

Come, let us gather as church.

Where two or three are gathered in His name, Christ is with us.

Come, let us join the Way of transformation.

It is not always easy to embrace the truth about ourselves.

Come, let us worship and give thanks to God for life and the journey of faith.

Hymn (VU) #232 *“Joyful, Joyful We Adore You”*

Story Time *“I’ll Love You Forever”*

Special Music(OB) *“God’s Way Is Love”* Gathering-Lent-Easter ©2018, Jim Traquair, Spirituality Committee Chair, Dundas St., U.C., London, Ont.
(H) *“The Lily of the Valley”* (Also known as “I’ve Found a Friend in Jesus”) William S. Hays © 1881, Public Domain

Scripture John 21: 1-19

Sermon *“You Say You Love Me: Show Me”*

Hymn (MV) #79 *“Spirit, Open My Heart”*

Minute For Mission

Offerings of the People

A New Creed (VU) #918

Prayer of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

Hymn (VU) #575 *“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”*

Commissioning / Benediction

Sung Response (VU) #884 3Xs *“You Shall Go Out with Joy”*

Postlude

OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 2nd - Monday, 6:00 p.m., **Annual Church Clean-up.** (*Rain date May 3rd.*)

May 10th - Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., **The Old Barns Cemetery Corp.**
Annual meeting will be held in the Russell Room. Shareholders are welcome and encouraged to attend. *For inquiries contact: Lloyd Yuill at 902-893-3797*

The Old Barns church continue to require Proof of Vaccine. This will be readdressed at the end of April when a decision will be made as to whether to continue this requirement or not.

- You are no longer required to wear a mask and we are leaving that up to the comfort level of each person.
 - We will continue to social distance in the church keeping every second pew empty, but you will *no longer have to pre-book* your seat.
 - We ask that if you are feeling unwell, please stay home. We would love to see you all once again, but it is most important that one and all stay as healthy as possible and we will do what we can at church to help with this.
- Gordie, Kent and Leslie - your Covid Committee*

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Phillip Kennedy will be taking a week vacation next week. If you need assistance, please contact the Session Clerk.

M&S Report for April is \$1,413. \$805.10 is the Lenten Project (spare change), \$1,265 for Easter, \$245 World Development & Relief, \$1,000 UCW, \$400 Ukraine Relief for a total of \$5,128.10. Grand total for the year to date is \$14,406.10 which is 48% of our target. THANK YOU for all your support this Lent & Easter Season.

HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 7th - Saturday, 9:00am - 12 noon, The Trustees/Board of Stewards for Hilden will be having a **"Spring Clean-up"**. We will be concentrating on The Sanctuary and the grounds outdoors. Please bring your gardening tools/ buckets & cloths. Hope to see a great turn-out!

May 10th - Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., The Trustees/Board of Stewards and the people who volunteered to help us are having **our first meeting to start planning** our *"Strawberry Supper Take-out"* at the Church Hall. Everyone welcome!

Games and cards social

May 6th at 1:00pm (Friday) May 18th at 10:00 am (Wednesday)

Hilden Covid Committee update: As masks are no longer mandatory by law its up to each individual and comfort level whether to wear or not in church, however as a Committee we feel wearing masks a while longer would be beneficial. Covid is still definitely around us.

Note: We will continue to social distance by occupying only every second row of pews PLEASE.

Lectionary Readings Next Week- May 8th (OB) *Led by Garry Matthews*

Scripture: Psalm 23, Revelation 7: 9-17

Reflection: "Take Care"

May 8th (H) *Led by Hilden Choir*

Scripture: John 14: 15-21

Worship Services Schedule - In-Person Services

May 8 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden-*Led by Hilden Choir,*

11:00 a.m. in Old Barns- *Led by Garry Matthews*

May 15 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

May 22 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

Bookings for Hilden - contact Frank Arseneau at 902-897-4080

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

rlhenderson8@hotmail.com

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". We now have a Facebook page. Search for Clifton Pastoral Charge.

Be sure to select FOLLOW.

Clerks of Sessions - if you need 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 902-895-4008

Hilden - Elva Haggarty 902-895-4760

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 etransfer donations contact Bob

Francis at oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Social Committee (OB) - contact Kathie Chisholm at 902-895-0719

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.