Clifton Pastoral Charge
Old Barns & Hilden United Churches

We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge

Organists: Old Barns – Beckie Burrows; Hilden – Ardith Ross
Bulletin Secretary: Leslie Burrows

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

Hilden – Sunday, November 15, 2026
We Cannot Keep from Singing
Led by Sylvia Patterson and Arlene Fisher

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Gathering Hymn VU 245 "Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet"
Welcome & Announcements
Land Acknowledge

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 compassion and acceptance, as well as peace and friendship, among all.
All My Relations

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The light of Jesus Christ **inspires our prayers.**
The light of Jesus Christ **brings joy to our singing.**
The light of Jesus Christ **finds purpose in God's word.**
The light of Jesus Christ **illumines the needs of the world.**
So we will (sing) **let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

Call to Worship

From the beginning of time, the universe has hummed with creative energy.
The rhythm of love pulses in our veins and echoes in our heartbeat.
With a breath, God began the whisper of life and it reverberates in our breathing.
We live and breathe and have our being in the One who called us into life.
And we rise our voices to this One with praise and gratitude.

Introit VU 315 vs 1 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

Opening Prayer

sing VU 218 vs 3 (remain seated)

Words of Grace

VU 958 "Halle, Halle, Halle"

Scriptures Psalm 150 Praise God with trumpet sound
1 Chronicles 13:5-8 King David dances and makes music

Reflection Music of the Soul Sylvia & Arlene

Readings
Sing VU 240 vs 1.2.3 "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

Readings
Sing VU 747 "The Lord's my Shepherd"

Readings
Sing VU 144 vs 1,2,3 "Were You There"

Readings
Anthem "You Raise Me Up"

Readings
Sing VU 710 vs 1,2 "Shall We Gather at the River"

Readings
Sing VU 664 vs 1 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"
(remain seated)

Readings
Sing VU 87 vs 1,4 "I Am the Light of the World"

Offering Prayer

Musical Response MV 62 "There Is Room for All"

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn VU 586 "We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection"

Benediction/Commissioning

Worship Services Schedule

November 22	10:00 a.m. in Old Barns with Rev Joe Wynne
	10:00 a.m. in Hilden with Choir
November 29	Advent One – HOPE
	10:00 a.m. in Old Barns with Men's Club
	10:00 a.m. in Hilden with Sylvia Patterson & Arlene Fisher
December 6	Advent Two – PEACE
	10:00 a.m. in Old Barns with UCW
	10:00 a.m. in Hilden with Faye Smith
December 13	Advent Three – JOY
	10:00 a.m. in Old Barns with Karen and 4-H members
	10:00 a.m. in Hilden with UCW
December 20	Advent Four – LOVE
	6:30 p.m. Christmas in the Waugh Barn in Old Barns
	1:00 p.m. in Hilden with Bruce Varner
December 24	Christmas Eve
	7:00 p.m. in Old Barns with Leslie Burrows
	7:00 p.m. in Hilden with Gail Sexsmith
December 27	No Church – pre-taped service on website

Bookings
Old Barns – contact Reg Henderson at 902-895-0740 or rlhenderson8@hotmail.com
Hilden – contact Diane Creelman at 902-897-4493 or Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636

Bulletin Announcements - contact Leslie at secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca 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 – Barb Miller 902-895-6833
Hilden – TBA

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 Julia Blois at 902-893-2641
(H) – contact Glenda MacDonald at 902-897-6123

Visitation - If you, or someone you know, want or need a pastoral care visit, please contact (OB) Karen Archibald-Waugh or Barb Miller
(H) Sheila Marshall or Wayne Fisher

Thank you to all those who have stepped forward to lead worship in our two Communities of Faiths, Old Barns and Hilden, during this time of transition.

OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donations now being accepted for Food Bank, Christmas Index and Soul's Harbour – Place in an envelope, and mark it for UCW – cheques to be made out to Old Barns UCW. Place in collection plate or give to Leslie by December 6th.

Friday, December 11 – "A Clifton Family Christmas" at 7:00 p.m. Old Barns United Church invites you to celebrate the start of the Yuletide season at our annual Christmas concert (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) The evening will feature seasonal music by **Highway 236 & Friends**, along with a special visit from **Santa Claus**. Admission is by free-will offering, with all proceeds for the **Colchester Food Bank**. All are welcome!

HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 27 & 28 – Annual Beans and Brown Bread Take-out from 2 – 5 p.m. in the church hall

November 29 – Hilden Music Jam from 2 – 4 p.m. in church hall

November 30 – Cards and Games – 1:00 p.m.
December 2 – Cards and Games – 10:00 a.m.

December 6 – Congregational Meeting following worship service to discuss up-coming renovations to church lobby

December 18 – Cards & Games – 1:00 p.m.

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Secretary – Leslie will continue to format bulletins, email to individuals, and post to website but will need someone willing to print them off (new copier is in place). If you are willing to copy bulletins each week, please contact Jim Burrows, Chair of M&P.

Water of Life Donations will be accepted until the end of the year. Mark donation for Water of Life, church treasurer will credit you for donation and turn over to Beckie.

November 24 – Senior Safety Program 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Truro Police Service Community Office at the Truro Mall. Presentations on: Electronic devices that help older adults and people with disabilities maintain independence. How to apply for home care services including nursing, long term care, as well as how to make a referral to adult protection services and protection in care. A complimentary lunch will be provided at the end of the sessions. Seats are limited – registration is required. Please call (902) 897-3271 or email thart@truro.ca

November 25 – Cross Country Check-In at 6:00 p.m. ET

Join the General Secretary, members of the General Council Executive, and the Moderator for a live conversation with people across the United Church. Listen, ask questions, put faces to names, and share perspectives that can help inform the church's leadership and decision-making.

Go to: https://churchx.ca/local/shop/product.php?id=370

Volunteers Needed – the Salvation Army is looking for volunteers to help with their Kettle collections. If you are interested, contact Victoria at 902-893-3042