

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.

OLD BARNs UNITED CHURCH

MAY 17, 2026

LED BY BOB FRANCIS and MENS CLUB CHOIR

Introit: Jesus Stand Among Us VU #396

Welcome, Announcements and celebrations

Lighting of the Candles

Acknowledgement of Place –

As we gather for worship, let us remember that this Church is on land that is the traditional territory of the Mi'kmaw people

May we live with respect on this land and strive for peace and friendship with its people.

Call to Worship:

One: God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty, and long to be filled; we are hungry, and long to be fed; we are lost, and long to be found.

All: Gather us into your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives, just as Jesus gathered up the fragments of the five loaves and two fish that remained after feeding the five thousand.

One: Call us anew to eat our fill and to find our true nourishment in Jesus, the bread of heaven. Amen.

Opening Hymn: VU #562 Jesus Calls Us

Prayer of Confession

Sometimes, I think I have all the answers.

Sometimes, I ignore feelings of unease.

Sometimes, I forget that you are active in my life, my calling, purpose.

Sometimes, I don't want to listen, I don't want to act, I don't want to serve.

Forgive us for these times. **Help us to respond to all that we are, all that you have made us, with love, with abundance, with care.**

Words of Assurance

Time for All Ages – Gordon Miller

Scriptures: Luke 5: 1-11

Mark 1: 16-20

Anthem: Fishing on the other side

Message: Fishing

Hymn: VU 597 Simon Simon

Affirmation of Faith:

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Minute for Mission/Focus on giving

Offering Prayer

Community Prayers –

Choir Anthem: Leaning In

Closing Hymn: VU 675 Will Your Anchor Hold

Blessing

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Booking

Old Barns- contact Reg Henderson @ 902-895-0740
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Hilden- contact Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636 or
Diane Creelman 902-897-4493

Bulletin Announcements - contact Mallery Thomas
secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

Charge Website - 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

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 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

Announcements

Clifton Pastoral Charge, Joint Announcements

Old Barns United Church

Hilden United Church

First April's Financial Report

Balance as of April 1/26 \$43914.08

Revenue 4500.70

Expenses 6151.95

Balance as of April 30/26 422625.83

YEAR TO DATE

Balance January 2/26 \$16057.41

Revenue 43275.81

Expenses 17070.39

Balance as of April 30/26 \$42262.83

FROM YARD SALE ON MAY 2/26

Table Rentals \$180.00

Bake Table 317.50

Church Table 142.25

TOTAL \$639.75

Thanks

Beth Ellis, Treasurer Hilden United Church

Other Announcements

Saturday, May 30th, the IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's returns. Registration opens at 3pm on the day of, and walk will begin at 4pm. You can register your team in advance, at <https://alzheimer.ca/ns/en/walk>

Upcoming Church Services

May 24th, 2026 – 9:30am Hilden, 11:00am Old Barns

May 31st, 2026 – Joint Service in Hilden at 10:00am

June

June 7th, 2026 – 9:30am Old Barns, 11:00am Hilden

June 14th, 2026 – 9:30am Hilden, 11:00am Old Barns

June 21st, 2026 – 9:30am Hilden, 11:00am Old Barns

June 28th, 2026 – 9:30am Hilden, 11:00am Old Barns