

## *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.*

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**August 7, 2022**

**9:30 a.m. Joint Service in Hilden**

**Led by Rev. Phillip Kennedy**

**Music provided by - Bruce Varner & Choir Members**

**Reader - Gladys Phillips**

**Prelude**

**Introit**

**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 still live—on this 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.

**We gather as people of faith.**

Come let us renew our faith and hope.

**We pray for the gift of the Spirit's presence and power.**

Come, let us worship and give thanks.

**Hymn (VU) #580** "Faith of Our Fathers"

**Especially For Children** "Waiting for New Birth"

**Special Music**

**Scripture** Daniel 3: 13-18  
Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

**Sermon** "Faith: Hope Based on Trust in God"

**Hymn (VU) #288** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

**Minute for Mission**

**Offerings of the People Prayer**

**A New Creed (VU) #918**

**Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn (VU) #644** "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

**Commissioning / Benediction**

**Sung Response (VU) #962** "May the Blessing of God"

**Postlude**

**Lectionary Readings Next Week** - Aug 1<sup>st</sup> -Led by Reg Henderson & Hwy 236

**Scripture:**

**Sermon:**

**Worship Services Schedule** - In-Person Services

**(July & August Services are 9:30 a.m. alternating location Joint Services)**

Aug 14 - 9:30 a.m. in Old Barns - Led by Reg Henderson and Hwy 236 (outdoors)

Aug 21 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden - Led by Rev. John Parsons

Aug 28 - 9:30 a.m. in Old Barns - Rev. Phillip Kennedy

**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](mailto:rlhenderson8@hotmail.com)

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

[lougheadjd@gmail.com](mailto:lougheadjd@gmail.com) by Wednesday evening.

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

contact Bob Francis at [oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

### JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**M&S Report** for July is \$1,523 of which \$245 is World Development and Relief for a total of \$20,140.10 which is 67% of our goal. Thank you for your support for M&S.

**August 14<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday, 9:30am joint service in Old Barns led by **Reg Henderson and Hwy 236** will be outside, weather permitting. Please bring a lawn chair and your sun hat.

**September 18<sup>th</sup> - Old Barns Terry Fox Walk/Run**

8:45 a.m. - Register at Old Barns United Church.

Start time: 9:00 a.m. All are welcome. For more info please contact Heather MacLeod at [iceandadvice@eastlink.ca](mailto:iceandadvice@eastlink.ca)

Please consider *donating online* to our event, Site # 1652

Old Barns run site: <https://run.terryfox.ca/oldbarns>

**Summer Lunchtime Concerts** at First United Church in Truro. See details on the bulletin board.

**United Way-- *Back-to-School Donations*** are accepted until early August at Christmas Discounters at the Truro Mall Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-4:00 or at the office #2-90 Esplanade. Call 902-895-9313 if you have any questions.

**Rev. Phillip** will be on ***vacation*** August 8 - 21.

*Dreams and Nightmares*  
Selected by Dan Clendenin. Posted 31 October 2021.  
Walter Brueggemann (b. 1933)

**DREAMS AND NIGHTMARES**  
On reading 1 Kings 3:5-9; 9:2-9

Last night as I lay sleeping,  
I had a dream so fair . . .  
I dreamed of the Holy City, well ordered and just.  
I dreamed of a garden of paradise,  
well-being all around and a good water supply.  
I dreamed of disarmament and forgiveness,  
and caring embrace for all those in need.  
I dreamed of a coming time when death is no more.

Last night as I lay sleeping . . .  
I had a nightmare of sins unforgiven.  
I had a nightmare of land mines still exploding  
and maimed children.  
I had a nightmare of the poor left unloved,  
of the homeless left unnoticed,  
of the dead left ungrieved.  
I had a nightmare of quarrels and rages  
and wars great and small.

When I awoke, I found you still to be God,  
presiding over the day and night  
with serene sovereignty,  
for dark and light are both alike to you.

At the break of day we submit to you  
our best dreams  
and our worst nightmares,  
asking that your healing mercy should override threats,  
that your goodness will make our  
nightmares less toxic  
and our dreams more real.

Thank you for visiting us with newness  
that overrides what is old and deathly among us.  
Come among us this day; dream us toward  
health and peace,  
we pray in the real name of Jesus  
who exposes our fantasies.

*For over thirty years now, Walter Brueggemann (b. 1933) has combined the best of critical scholarship with love for the local church in service to the kingdom of God. Now a professor emeritus of Old Testament studies at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, Brueggemann has authored over seventy books. Taken from his Prayers for a Privileged People (Nashville: Abingdon, 2008), pp. 79-80.*

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