

## *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 Loughead

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

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*(Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship and Daring Justice)*

**September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**

**Hilden (9:30am)/Old Barns (11:00am)**

**Led by Rev. Phillip Kennedy**

**Music provided by - (H&OB) Choir and Congregation**

**Readers - (H) April Canton-Austin**

**(OB) Barb Miller**

#### **Prelude**

**Introit (VU #222 vs 1) "Come, Let Us Sing"**

**Welcome and Life & Work of the Charge**

**Celebrations and Birthdays**

**Greet Your Neighbour**

#### **Land Acknowledgment**

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 of the Unity Candle, Christ Candle, Silence and Prayer**

#### **Call to Worship**

Come let us gather together as loving Community.

**We join together to build relationships of love with each other and with God.**

Come, let us hear the Word of God.

**We gather to discern the God's leading in our hearts and minds.**

Come, let us worship and give thanks to the One who is the Source of our healing and liberation.

**Hymn (VU #227) "For the Fruit of All Creation"**

**Story Time (OB- Gary Saunders)**

**Children's Music (VU #579) "The Church is Wherever God's People"**

**Special Music - (H & OB) "I Saw the Rich Ones" (MV #127)**

**Prayer for Illumination (MV #21 X2) "Open Our Hearts"**

**Scriptures Mark 9: 33-37**

**Sermon "Greatness in Service"**

**Hymn (VU # 593) "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"**

**Focus on Giving**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Sung Response (VU #537) "Your Work, O God, Needs many Hands"**

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

**Music before prayer (MV #14 3xs)  
"Where Two or Three Are Gathered"**

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

**Hymn (VU #417) "God, as We Rise to Leave"**

**Commissioning/Benediction**

**Sung Response (VU #481) "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"**

**Postlude**

### HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Hilden Cards/games** will be starting up for Fall -  
Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> (Fri) 1:00pm

### OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Reminder - The AED defibrillator machine** is located in the back entry of  
Old Barns church, next to the bathroom door.

### JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday, 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. - **Giant Yard Sale & Breakfast** at *Knox United Church Hall*, 53 Highway 289, Brookfield.  
Breakfast: 7:00am – 11:30am. All You Can Eat Pancakes & Sausages \$10.; Under Six – Free Muffins & Coffee/Tea \$4

**September 28<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 12 noon, **Yard Sale, BBQ and Bake Sale.** *Annual Fall Fair at McCulloch United Church* , 3321 Camden Road, Truro, corner of Harmony and Camden Roads.

**September 29<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday, **10:00 a.m.**, this Sunday will be a focus on Indigenous Spirituality and it would be great to wear your **orange shirt** that day.

**October 20<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday, 11:00 a.m., **The Congregation of Hilden United Church** wishes to extend an open invitation to all to join us as we celebrate the **100th Anniversary of our Sanctuary**. There will be a “*Service of Joy*” followed by a potluck luncheon, including a delicious cake and a time of Thanksgiving and Renewal of Commitment to the Praise of God in this beautiful building dedicated to the Holy Spirit, God, and Jesus Christ—the Son of God.

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. (*Facilitated by: Treena Duncan, Regional Executive Minister, Pacific Mountain Regional Council*)  
The annual **General Council meeting** is scheduled for October 19. We invite you to join an informal, thoughtful national town hall on **Oct. 22 at 6:00 p.m.** with the *General Secretary, Rev. Michael Blair*, and guests from the GCE – LIVE ONLINE. They want to hear from the church across the country, so they can prepare for the November GCE meetings and beyond.

This personal invitation from General Secretary Rev. Michael Blair is *for you, for staff and congregations*. It is an opportunity to engage with the decisions and dialogue from the annual meeting – right after it happens.

Whether you're a listener or a caller, this check-in is where you can have a conversation with leaders in real time. The General Secretary and members of GCE are listening. Live. In real time. Everyone is welcome. **Register on CHURCHx.**

**A note:** This is a pilot project. We hope it will be the first of quarterly check-ins next year. While this live event will not offer interpretation or translation, we are planning to hold one check-in fully in French next year (or as fully as we can, with the help of our bilingual GCE members and Ministries in French staff).

Watch for scheduling and updates by subscribing to the General Council website.

Over the course of the next several weeks the Future Visioning Committee will be placing Bulletin Bullets in our bulletin, advising some of the many different topics which have come up for discussion in our Committee meetings to date.

\*\*As a committee, we invite any interested persons to become a part of this process of 'envisioning' our future as a Pastoral Charge. So if you are interested in joining this committee, please feel free to become involved.

\*\* Our next meeting is scheduled for Sept. 24 at 10 a.m. in Hilden.

### **FUTURE VISIONING COMMITTEE BULLETS**

**Sept. 22**

- 1. A possible workshop with Sara Jewell to help us identify our spiritual gifts, individually and collectively.**
- 2. Church needs to demonstrate that we are reaching out to the world. Talk about our Focus on Giving/Mission stories.**
- 3. Church has a primary role in caring for children. What can/do we do to provide an avenue for growth and development for people, young and old.**



### **TERRY FOX 2024**

from **September 15, 2024**

**Update** (as of Sept 16, 2024) on the Old Barns Terry Fox walk/run: \$2100 (\$150 of this total is from our local community). This total may not yet reflect any donations that were mailed in or donations not connected to site #1652.

Thanks to everyone who has already donated, if you have not donated yet you most certainly still can...

<https://run.terryfox.ca/55727>

For those of you that prefer to donate by cheque: here is the info

Terry Fox Foundation – Site#1652

Att'n Lacey Johns

Unit 103, 3600 Kempt Rd.

Halifax, NS B3K 4X8

- Heather MacLeod

**Lectionary Readings Next Week** - Sept 29<sup>th</sup> Joint Service in Hilden **10:00 a.m.**

**Scriptures:** Mark 9:38-41

*(Wear Orange)*

**Theme:** Indigenous Spirituality and Christianity- Points of Meeting

### **Worship Services Schedule**

Sept 29 - **10:00 a.m.** Joint Service in Hilden

Oct 6 - 9:30 a.m. in Old Barns, 11:00 a.m. in Hilden

Oct 13 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns - *Thanksgiving Sunday*

Oct 20 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

### **Bookings -**

**Old Barns** - contact Reg Henderson at 902-895-0740 or

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

**Hilden** - contact George Creelman at 902-897-4493 or

[georgecreelman@hotmail.com](mailto:georgecreelman@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". **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** - *Leslie Burrows* 902-890-4682 or email

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

**Hilden** - TBA or email [hildensession@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](mailto:hildensession@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

**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.

**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.