

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.

(Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship and Daring Justice)

August 18th, 2024

Joint Service in Hilden at 10:00 a.m.

Rev. Phillip Kennedy

Music provided by - Choir Members

Reader -

Prelude

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

Welcome & Life & Work of the Charge

Celebrations and Birthdays

Greeting 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, Prayer

Call to Worship

Come let us gather together as loving Community.

We come seeking reconciliation with each other, with God and with all creation.

Come, let us seek Sophia, the Wisdom of God.

We seek “The Truth” and “The Right” for abundant living.

Come, let us celebrate God's Presence.

Hymn (VU #766) *“As the Deer Pants for the Water”*

Story Time - “Solomon the Wise Judge”

Special Music *“God Who Gives to Life Its Goodness” (VU #260)*

Prayer for Illumination (MV #21 2xs) *“Open Our Hearts”*

Scriptures 1 Kings 3: 5-13

Sermon *“The Conventional and Unconventional Wisdom of Solomon”*

Hymn (MV #10) *“Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom”*

Focus on Giving

Offerings of the People

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 #333) *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”*

Commissioning / Benediction

Sung Response (VU #685 vs 3) *“We Turn to You”*

Postlude

JESUS SAID, “Come follow me!”

He did NOT say it would be easy!

“Even Jesus took time away to rest, clear his head, and seek God's wisdom. Be like Jesus! Taking time away is not selfish... it's essential!”

Time away to rest and renew will not happen if you don't make it happen. An hour, day, week - doesn't matter... schedule it now.

HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLD BARNs ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 24th - Saturday, 11:00am - 2:00pm, **Tatamagouche Centre Lobster Roll Fundraiser**, 259 Loop Route 6, Tatamagouche Centre. More information on the Bulletin Board.

Jasper United Church building was *completely destroyed in the fire*
If anyone would like to donate they can do so via e-transfer at:
Jasperunitedchurch@hotmail.com

Lectionary Readings Next Week - Aug 25th

Scriptures: Chapter 4 of the book of Ruth

Theme: Focusing on the building up of the United Church of Canada over the last 100 years.

Worship Services Schedule

Aug 25 - 10:00 a.m. Joint Service in Old Barns
Sept 1 - 10:00 a.m. Joint Service in Hilden, led by Bruce Varner
Sept 8 - 10:00 a.m. Joint Service in Old Barns, led by Kent Loughead
Sept 15 - 10:00 a.m. Joint Service in Hilden, led by Hilden Session
Sept 22 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns
Sept 29 - 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

Hilden - contact George Creelman at 902-897-4493 or georgecreelman@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". **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

Hilden - TBA or email hildensession@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

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.

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.