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.

> April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Rev. Phillip Kennedy Easter 2 Honest Thomas

Music provided by - (H & OB) Choir Members Readers - (H) Sheila Marshall (OB) Glenda Kent

### Prelude

Introit "Alive, Alive" Composer Unknown, Arr. © 1985 by John T. Benson Publishing Co./ASCAP

### Welcome & Life & Work of the Charge

#### **Celebrations and Birthdays**

#### 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 worship the God we know in Jesus Christ. We come to celebrate the Good News of Easter! Come let us open our hearts and minds to God's presence. We come aware of the Christ in our midst! Come let us hear God's Word for us in this time. We come as Church, his risen body, to continue his mission and ministry in a needy world. Hymn (VU #164) "The Day of Resurrection"

# **Story Time**

Special Music (OB) "Doubters" by Linnea Good, © 1992 Borealis Music (H) "My Life Flows On" (VU #716)

Prayer for Illumination (VU #371 Vs 2) "Open My Eyes (Ears), That I May See"

Scriptures John 20: 19-20, 24-31

Sermon "Honest Thomas"

Hymn (VU #185) "You Tell Me That the Lord Is Risen"

**Focus on Giving** 

**Offerings of the People** 

Music before prayer (MV #14 X3) "Where Two or Three Are Gathered"

# Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn (VU #586) "We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection"

**Commissioning / Benediction** 

Sung Response (VU #424) "May the God of Hope Go with Us"

Postlude

# **OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

February 2024 Financial Report Old Barns United Church		
Bank Balance Feb 29, 2024		2,924.82
<u>Receipts</u>	6,913.78	
Transferred from Energy Account	3,000.00	
<u>Expenses</u>	10,666.55	
Bank Balance Mar 31, 2024		2,172.05
M&S	998.00	
World Development	295.00	
Easter M & S	251.00	
Lent M & S	230.00	

Year to date we are down by \$10,490.16 to the end of March. Thanks to the Pancake Supper for \$1,520.35 and interest from the Charge Investment \$1,112.40. We still had to transfer \$3,000 in order to pay the bills this month.

**April 10<sup>th</sup> -** Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., **Walk With Me** each Wednesday morning where we will meet at the *Spirituality Circle* for a brief time before we walk around the church for 20-30 minutes. All are welcome.

April 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, 12:30pm - 2:00pm, Bible Study in Old Barns.

# **HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Game and card days for April -April 19<sup>th</sup> (Fri.) at 1:00 pm.

# JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**M&S Report** for March is \$2,159 of which \$295 is World Development & Relief, \$230 is from the Lenten Spare Change, and \$75 UCW for a total of \$5,280. We are up \$191. Thank you for your support for M&S.

### April 14<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 9:00 a.m. in Hilden, No Service in Old Barns.

All are encouraged to attend the service at Truro First United Church at 10:30 a.m. where UCC Moderator will be guest speaker: The Right Reverend Dr. Carmen Lansdowne.

- April 19<sup>th</sup> Friday, 7:00pm, The *Tatamagouche Pastoral Charge Outreach Committee* is pleased to sponsor the screening of the widely acclaimed film, **Dawn, Her Dad and The Tractor** at the Tatamagouche Library, 170 Main St. This poignant film about a young trans woman returning to her rural community after the death of her mother will be followed by a Q+A with filmmaker Shelley Thompson, also author of Roar. Free of charge.
- April 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 3:00pm, *Talent Showcase* being held at St. Andrew's United, 55 King Street. *See Bulletin Board for more info.*
- April 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday, doors open at 8:00am -serve at 8:30am, *Men's Club Breakfast*. All are welcome to attend at McCulloch United Church , Harmony-Camden- 3321 Camden Road. Tickets for \$10 each, available by contacting Jim Moore at 902-895-2008.
- May 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday, 6:00- 8:00 p.m., Sweet Treats Social at Redcliff Middle School, in support of Ellis Moore. All proceeds will support baby Ellis & his family while he undergoes a bone-marrow transplant in Toronto. Homemade desserts, Silent Auction, Community Support.
- **June 8<sup>st</sup>, 2024 -** Saturday, The **20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** celebration of *Water of Life* will be held at Bible Hill Recreation Park, 38 Guest Dr. (off College Rd.) from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. with a walk-a-thon, BBQ lunch, and wishing well.

Lectionary Readings Next Week - April 14<sup>th</sup> (Hilden Service only 9:00 a.m.) Scriptures:

Theme:

#### **Worship Services Schedule**

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Apr 21 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

Apr 28 - 9:30 a.m. in Hilden, 11:00 a.m. in Old Barns

#### Bookings -

Old Barns - contact Reg Henderson at 902-895-0740 or rhenderson8@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". <u>All Policies</u> - (*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 - Pam Henley 902-953-1107 or email phenley@bellaliant.net

Minutes for Mission playlists at <u>www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada</u> stories and photos on <u>www.united-church.ca</u>

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.

The Reverend Phillip Kennedy can be reached at 902-957-4727 (cell) or by email at <a href="mailto:phillip.kennedy@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca">phillip.kennedy@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca</a>

**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.