

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.

March 29, 2024

in Hilden

2:00 p.m.



Prelude

Greeting and Introduction

Treaty Affirmation

Long before settlers came to this land from Europe, renaming it Acadia and Nova Scotia, there was already a nation of people here who called it Mi'kma'ki. We settlers didn't really recognize them as persons, declared the land vacant and colonized it. Even though the indigenous people thought of the land as the Creator's, our treaties with them acknowledged their prior stewardship and claim to it. Our ancestors signed peace and friendship treaties only; no land was ceded, given or sold. Later, as we grew in numbers and power, we were neither peaceful nor friendly. We acknowledged apologize for this, even as we resolve anew to seek reconciliation.

We commit to the process of truth and reconciliation, to live with respect and friendship with the Mi'kmaq and to the full vision of ALL MY RELATIONS. We too are a treaty people.

Opening Prayer

Hymn (VU #135) *"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"*

Scripture Mark 15: 1-20

Special Music *"Alone in Gethsemane"*
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Scripture Mark 15: 21-47

Special Music *"We Walk the Path of Jesus"*
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Message **"The Meaning of the Cross to Jesus"**

Hymn (VU #149) *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

Prayers of Confession

Depart in Silence.....