*Clifton Pastoral Charge*
*Old Barns & Hilden United Churches*

We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge

Organists: Old Barns – Beckie Burrows; Hilden – Ardith Ross
Bulletin Secretary: Leslie Burrows

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

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**Sunday, November 8, 2026**
**Old Barns Remembrance Sunday**
**Led by Leslie Burrows**

**Gathering Music**
**Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations**
**Lighting of the Christ and Diversity Candles** Elsie & Daisy

**Call to Worship**

From east and west, north and south, we gather on this day of remembrance to give thanks and praise.
**We come to be inspired by the Word of God and honour the sacrifices of those who have committed themselves to service before self.**
In times of peace, in times of conflict, and in times of uncertainty,
**We remember that we are not alone.**
We are the people of God, connected across time and space, from generation to generation.
**We are united by the love of the One who said: "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."**
As we gather to remember, let us sing and pray.
**Let us worship God together!**

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn** VU # 806 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

**Responsive Reading**

God shall judge between many peoples,
**and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away;**
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
**and their spears into pruning-hooks;**
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
**neither shall they learn war any more.**

**Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we thank you for bringing us together this Remembrance Sunday, to recall with tenderness and respect those who lost their lives from this community and the many thousands farther afield in the wars of the last century.
**We pray for all those still caught up in conflicts across the world and acknowledge what may be our own confusion about war and how we might participate in creating an enduring peace.**
Help us to meet with you in these moments of worship, make us ever mindful of your goodness toward us, and strengthen us to be aware of the needs of others. As we pray for peace, may it start with peace in our hearts.

**Words of Assurance**

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life,
**Hear our prayers for all this day, and help us to live in love and service.**
**Amen**

**Story Time for All Ages** "Poppies For Peace" Hannah

**ACTS OF REMEMBRANCE**

**In Flanders Fields** Violet

**Reading of the Honour Roll** Gordie
**Laying of the Wreath** Forrest & Clifford
**Last Post – Minute of Silence – Rouse**

**Words of Remembrance**

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
**Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.**
At the going down of the sun and in the morning.
**We will remember them.**

**Responsive Prayer**

Eternal rest grant to them, O God, and may perpetual light shine upon them.
**May their souls, through your great mercy, rest in peace. Amen.**

**Hymn** VU # 678 For the Healing of the Nations

**Scripture Readings** Alexander & Debbie

**Poem** "War Hero" written by Jackie Waugh Marett & Adelaide

**Song** Where Have All the Flowers Gone by Pete Seeger (1955)

Where have all the flowers gone? *
Long time passing.
Where have all the flowers gone? *
Long time ago.
Where have all the flowers gone? *
The girls have picked them every one. +
When will you ever learn?
When will you ever learn?

* Young girls
\+ They've taken husbands every one.

* Young men
\+ They're all in uniform every one.

* Soldiers
\+ They've gone to graveyards every one.

* Graveyards
\+ They're covered with flowers every one.

* Flowers
\+ Young girls have picked them every one.

**A Story – My Military Ancestors**

**Hymn** VU # 527 God! As with Silent Hearts

**Offering Prayer**
**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn** VU # 684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

**Benediction**

Having gathered, remembered, heard, given, and prayed,
**We ask, Gracious God, for your blessing,**
**And for your continual presence in our lives.**
Remind us that no matter where we go, you are there.
**No matter how bleak the world becomes,**
**All it takes is one ray of light for a new day to be upon us once again.**
**Amen**

**Sung Benediction** VU # 707 vs 1,3 For the Faithful Who Have Answered

*Service from UCC website, taken from and/or adapted from two services: 2019 written in collaboration by UCC military chaplains Captain (Rev.) Audrey Brown and Captain (Rev.) Tyler Powell; and 2021 contributed by Capt (Rev.) Nathan Wright—Chaplain, The Royal New Brunswick Regiment (Fredericton, NB)*

**Worship Services Schedule**

November 15 10:00 a.m. in Old Barns; 10:00 a.m. in Hilden
November 22 10:00 a.m. in Old Barns; 10:00 a.m. in Hilden
November 29 Advent One – HOPE
10:00 a.m. in Old Barns; 10:00 a.m. in Hilden

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**Bookings**
**Old Barns** – contact Reg Henderson at 902-895-0740 or rlhenderson8@hotmail.com
**Hilden** – contact Diane Creelman at 902-897-4493 or Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636

**Bulletin Announcements** - contact Leslie at secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca 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** – Barb Miller 902-895-6833
**Hilden** – TBA

**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 etransfer donations contact Bob Francis at oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

**Social Committee** (OB) – contact Julia Blois at 902-893-2641
(H) – contact Glenda MacDonald at 902-897-6123

**Visitation** - If you, or someone you know, want or need a pastoral care visit, please contact (OB) Karen Archibald-Waugh or Barb Miller
(H) Sheila Marshall or Wayne Fisher

**NOTE: copier in Charge Office (in Old Barns) has reached the end of its life. A new one is being sourced but it may take a couple of weeks before a replacement is located and set-up. Meanwhile, bulletins in Old Barns will be mailed out. Sylvia is printing for Hilden.**

**Thank you to all those who have stepped forward to lead worship in our two Communities of Faiths, Old Barns and Hilden, during this time of transition.**

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## OLD BARNS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Old Barns Session is asking for volunteers** to oversee, and/or help with, the decorating of the church sanctuary for the Advent season. The first Sunday of Advent is November 29th. The bulk of the decorating could be done by that date, with the exception of the Nativity Creche, which can go up any time after the December 11th Christmas concert.
If you can help with this, please contact Barb Miller (902-814-9173, grbamiller@eastlink.ca) or Karen Archibald-Waugh (902-956-0919, karen_archibaldwaugh@outook.com).
Any help would be much appreciated. Thank you.

**Make Me a Channel of Your Peace:** this song is the main song in a scene from "Come From Away" called "Prayer" where the song features Christian, Jewish and Muslim music. Click on the link below (or copy into your browser) to watch and hear this beautiful piece.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8OK7ts5Uy-w

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## HILDEN ANNOUNCEMENTS

**November 27 & 28 – Annual Beans and Brown Bread Take-out**
from 2 – 5 p.m. in the church hall

**November 29 – Hilden Music Jam** from 2 – 4 p.m. in church hall

**December 6 – Congregational Meeting** following worship service to discuss up-coming renovations to church lobby

## JOINT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bulletin Secretary** – for the remainder of the year, Leslie will format bulletins, email to individuals, and post to website but will need someone willing to print them off once a new copier is in place. If you are willing to copy bulletins each week, please contact Jim Burrows, Chair of M&P.

**November 12 – Dementia Friendly Connections Café**
Truro Library at 1:30 p.m.
The Café is designed to provide a social opportunity, and build meaningful community connections among people living with dementia, their care partners, and the wider community.

**November 14 – Dinner Theatre featuring "Senior Moments"** at Knox UC Hall, Brookfield. Doors open 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6 p.m. Pork tenderloin, veggies, blueberry cheesecake. Tickets $30 from MacQuarrie's Pharmasave, Brookfield, or call 902-673-3464 to reserve.

**November 25 – Cross Country Check-In at 6:00 p.m. ET**
Join the General Secretary, members of the General Council Executive, and the Moderator for a live conversation with people across the United Church. Listen, ask questions, put faces to names, and share perspectives that can help inform the church's leadership and decision-making.
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