

**Clifton Pastoral Charge**

Old Barns and Hilden United Churches

*We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge*

**Organist:** Old Barns – Beckie Burrows | Hilden – Edith Selwyn-Smith

**Bulletin Secretary:** Mallery Thomas

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

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**Old Barns United Church of Canada**

**February 1<sup>st</sup> , 2026**

**Minister Rev. Dr. Darlene Brewer**

Introit/Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations

Acknowledgement of Place

As we gather for worship, let us remember that this church is on land that is the traditional territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

**May we live with respect on this land and strive for peace and friendship with its people.**

Call to Worship:

One: Holy One, You come to be with all creation as we slow down and approach You this winter morning. We come with praise and rejoicing for the good things you have done.

**All: We come with thanksgiving and peace, ready to share it with all.**

One: Be with us, Creator, Sustainer, Redeemer, as we welcome Your presence and come to worship You as one community, one world!

**All: Come, Spirit of God, and dwell here with us!**

Opening Prayer

**Opening Hymn: 'Let Us Build a House' MV #1**

Scripture Reading: Micah 6:1-8

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon: Memory, Mindfulness, and Invitation

**Hymn: 'Like a Healing Stream' MV #144**

***Affirmation of Faith***

***We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.***

Minute for Mission/Focus on Giving

Offering Prayer

Our Community Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Closing Hymn: 'Called by Earth and Sky' MV #135**

Benediction/Blessing

Sending Music: 'Draw the Circle Wide' Refrain (Repeat twice)

## **Lectionary Readings**

Scriptures:

Theme:

## **Worship Service Schedule**

January 25 – 10:00am Hilden United Church

### **Booking-**

**Old Barns-** contact Reg Henderson @ 902-895-0740  
or [rlhenderson8@hotmail.com](mailto:rlhenderson8@hotmail.com)

**Hilden-** contact Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636 or  
Diane Creelman 902-897-4493

**Bulletin Announcements** - contact Mallery Thomas  
[secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](mailto:secretary@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

**Charge Website** - [cliftonpastoralcharge.ca](http://cliftonpastoralcharge.ca)

Church bulletins & video of service 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 Session -**

**Old Barns** – Barb Miller

**Hilden** - Position to be filled

**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 (OB)  
Glenda MacDonald 902-897-6123 (Hilden)

**Visitation:** Please contact your pastoral elders

Hilden - April Canton-Austin and Sheila Marshall

Old Barns – Karen Archibald-Waugh and Barb Miller

## Announcements

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