## **Clifton Pastoral Charge**

Old Barns and Hilden United Churches
We are Affirming Churches in an Affirming Pastoral Charge
Clergy: Reverend Phillip Kennedy

Organist: Old-Barns- Beckie Burrows, Hilden - Edith Selwyn- Smith

**Church Bulletin Secretary:** Mallery Thomas

Mission Statement: To provide a friendly, welcoming, caring and safe

environment to promote spiritual growth.

## November 2, 2025 Rev. Shannon MacLean

Whoever welcomes a child, welcomes me.

Prelude

Life and Work of the Charge

Welcome

Celebrations and Birthdays

**Greeting Your Neighbour** 

Introit MV 41 "O Beautiful Gaia" R 3X

Statement of Reconciliation

Lighting of the Unity Candle, Christ Candle, Silence,

Prayer of Opening;

Sung Response MV 82 "Bathe Me in Your Light" vs 1

Storytime with Shannon

Hymn MV 157 "I Am a Child of God"

Sacred Story Mark 9:30-37 ~ Read by Gail Sexsmith (Hilden) and Glenda Kent (Old Barns)

Anthem: Who Is Greatest in the Kingdom?

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Tune: John Wyeth 1813 (Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing)

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Sermon

Hymn MV 133 "Jesus Laughed Out Loud"

Minute for Mission

Offering Prayer

Sung Response VU 581: When We Are Living, vs 2

Prayers of the People

The Prayer of Jesus

Our Father and Mother in heaven, hallowed be your name Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven Give us each day our daily bread

And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those indebted to us.

Lead us not into temptation but save us from the time of trial

For the kingdom, power and glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Hymn Ideas: VU 345 "Come, Children, Join to Sing"

Sending Forth; Blessing

Sung Blessing MV 213 "Take Up His Song of Faith"

Postlude

Today's Lighting of the Christ Candle liturgy was the poem "When I am Among the Trees" by Mary Oliver.

The sermon was inspired by the commentaries "Suffer the Children, 2024"

by Dan Clendenin; "Welcome the Child, 2018" by Debie Thomas in Journey with Jesus.

**Lectionary Readings** 

Scriptures:

Theme:

Worship Service Schedule
November 9 – Remembrance Sunday

## **Booking-**

Old Barns- contact Reg Henderson @ 902-895-0740 or <a href="mailto:rlhenderson8@hotmail.com">rlhenderson8@hotmail.com</a>
Hilden- contact Sheila Marshall at 902-893-2636 or Diane Creelman 902-897-4493

Bulletin Announcements - contact Mallery Thomas @ mallerygthomas@gmail.com

Charge Website - <u>cliftonpastoralcharge.ca</u>

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 - Position to be filled
Hilden - Position to be filled

**Minutes for Mission** playlists at <a href="www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada">www.youtube.com/unitedchurchofcanada</a>
Stories and Photos on <a href="www.united-church.ca">www.united-church.ca</a>

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 <a href="mailto:oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca">oldbarnstreasurer@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca</a>

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

The Reverend Phillip Kennedy can be reached 902-957-4727 (cell) or by email at phillip.kennedy@cliftonpastoralcharge.ca

**Visitation:** Please contact your elder [a list will be available next Sunday for each congregation], or Rev. Phillip Kennedy

Hilden UCW will meet on Tuesday, November 4 at 1:30 in the hall.

Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>: Old Barns UCW will meet in the Russell Room at 9:30am

Official Board Meeting, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm in Old Barns A special meeting of the Official Board has been called to receive that 'change in pastoral relations' letter from Rev. Phillip Kennedy, and to discuss our next steps as a pastoral charge.

The Profile Team will be presenting a report at this meeting.

If anyone would like to purchase their own copy of "Then, Let Us Sing", we will be sending an order soon. We need about 8 more copies to get the discount, and shipping will be free. Each book cost is ~\$40. Please let Edith or Beckie know A.S.A.P. Thank you.

The recent "Water of Life" walk received roughly \$4,500 in donations, for a total of \$8,000 this year. The current campaign will be accepting donations until the end of the year. Cheques can be made to "Hilden United Church" or "Old Barns United Church", with "Water of Life" noted on the memo line.

**Church Calendars** - If you would like a Calendar (or two), please let Leslie know by November 5th. Cost to be determined once shipping fees are applied. Best guess will be around \$15.

Connect: Community Game and Craft Night 6:30-8:30pm November 13, December 11 and January 8 55 King Street, St. Andrew's United Church \*See poster at front of church for more details

Cards & Games - Hilden Friday's at 1:00pm - November 7, December 5 Wednesday's at 10:00am - November 19, December 17

If you have any announcements you would like to see in the Bulletin, please email Mallery Thomas [mallerygthomas@gmail.com]. Submissions for the week must be submitted by Thursday at 10:00am