**Bridgewater United Church**

**July 21, 2019 6th after Pentecost**

**Ministry Team:** *Reverend Jeff Chant and Angela Clifton*

**Organist & Choir Director:** *Wendy Fraser*

**Greeters:** *Corrine Zinck, Yvonne Hirtle* **Ushers:** *Judy Stringer, Angela McGinnis*

**Audio Visual Technician:** *Tracy Rafuse* **Sound Engineer:** *Evan Rafuse*

*The asterisk (\*) indicates the congregation may stand, as they can.*

*The print in* ***BOLD*** *is where the congregation participates.*

Prelude: Come As You Are *written by Victor Labenske*

Prelude: O God Beyond All Praising *written by Gustav Holst*

**\*Gathering Song: # 1 MV – Let Us Build a House (Verse 1)**

Welcome and Announcements

\*Invitation To Worship

\*Lighting of the Inclusivity and Christ Candles

**\*Opening Songs and Prayer**

**The River Is Here**

**Let Your Heart Shine Bright**

**Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord**

**Father, We Adore You**

Video: “Show Kindness”

**\*Hymn And Gifts Received:** **# 12 MV – Come Touch Our Hearts**

Time With Children

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Centering

Special Music *sung by Jean Marshall*

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:38-42

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message

Silent Reflection

Prayers of the Community

**\*Hymn: # 371 VU – Open My Eyes, That I May See**

\*Extinguishing The Candles

\*Commissioning And Benediction

**\*Choral Blessing: # 298 VU – When You Walk from Here**

\*Postlude: Postlude in F *written by E. L. Ashford*



***The church bulletins are given to the glory of God,***

***and in loving memory of husband, Harry,***

***sisters; Jennie and Marie, brothers; Murray and John,***

***gift of Gladys Veinot and son, Malcolm.***

***The July church radio broadcast is given to the glory of God,***

***and in loving memory of parents, Gordon and Idella Cook***

***and Allister and Evelyn Seamone, brothers; Donald and James and sisters; Lucille and Helen, gift of Everett and Margaret Anne and family.***

***The July church radio broadcast is given to the glory of God,***

***and in memory of Barbara Fulton, gift of her family.***

***Cookies, Punch and Conversation is hosted this week,***

***by Ruth Rudderham and Shirley Rodenhiser of UCW.***



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*Church Office Hours are Monday – Friday 9:30am – 1:00pm*

*Our Church is a* ***Nut-Free and Scent-Free Church***

**Bridgewater United Church**

**Wants To Stay In Touch With You!**

We try to make every effort to keep our congregation informed of the events that occur at Bridgewater United Church. It would be most helpful to Bridgewater United Church, if you followed the suggestions below to make sure that you are as up-to-date with news as possible.

1. Please pass along your email to the Church Office at buc@tallships.ca, so that you can be added to congregational emails regarding events, services and storm closures.

2. Check out our website at [www.bridgewaterunited.ca](http://www.bridgewaterunited.ca) for information about our Church, Event Calendar, Church Council Minutes, Church Bulletin, Worship Service Audio Recordings, Sermons and so much more.

3. Find us and like us on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/BridgewaterUnitedChurch?ref=hl>

4. The Church Office wants to remind members of the congregation,

if the worship service is cancelled, an announcement will be placed on CKBW

(98.1 FM), on the church’s website at www.bridgewaterunited.ca and

the church phone message will state the cancellation by 9:00am.



**Vision Statement**

As followers of Jesus Christ, Bridgewater United Church is a church family that values each person as equal and unique loving expressions of God with gifts and talents to share. People of all ages, gender, race, sexual orientation, gender identity, differing abilities, ethnic background, economic circumstance and those experiencing other barriers that limit inclusion are welcome to fully participate in all our ministries.

**Mission Statement**

Co-creating with the Holy Spirit, we celebrate God’s presence with vitality, hope and thanksgiving by providing Christian education and fellowship for children, youth and adults; nurturing and caring for ourselves and others; extending hospitality, and; supporting outreach within and beyond.

**Values**

We value energetic engagement in our:

 Spiritual Health

Generosity

Acceptance of all

Responsiveness to the world

Love for God, creation, self and others

This Week at Bridgewater United

**This Sunday: 6th After Pentecost**

 **10:30am** Worship with Children’s Activity Table

**Tuesday: Floor Maintenance ~ No Access To C.E. Centre**

**Next Sunday: 7th After Pentecost**

 **10:00am** Cookies, Punch and Conversation

 **10:30am** Worship with Children’s Activity Table

*Though there may be less activity, the expenses of the church continue during the summer period. Even though you may not be present on Sunday mornings, you can still make sure that your financial contributions are received by the Church. You may want to consider PAR (pre-authorized remittance), an automatic transfer of funds through your bank. If you are able, we'd love to have you join with us, worshipping God in the beauty of holiness during the summer.*

*If you have visitors, bring them along so they can experience the joy of our faith community.*

BUC Gardens

Thank you to Susan Barrett and Laurel Cowie for your continued care of the gardens for others to enjoy. We are looking for individuals or families that would like to sign-up to help water the gardens throughout the summer. We have a garden hose that is always on, so you do not have to come during Church Office hours. Please speak to Susan, Laurel or the Church Office if you are available to help. Thank you.

Fresh Flowers for Sunday Service

The Flower Committee of the UCW is looking for fresh flowers for arrangements for Sunday. If you have a garden or would like to donate flowers for Sunday, please contact Marion at (902) 543-5102 by Thursday prior to Sunday’s Worship Service.

Church Office Vacation

The Church Office will be closed from August 6th to August 9th for vacation. Voicemail and emails will be checked daily and for pastoral care emergencies during this time you can reach Angela Clifton at (902) 543-6854or (902) 527-2739. Please note that all announcements and information for Church Bulletins, volunteers for Candle Lighting, Greeters and Ushers and Sound/Audio Technicians for August 4th and 11th need to be in place by July 29th to make sure all details can be organized.

Worship With Linnea Good

On Sunday, August 25th, the congregation of Bridgewater United Church will be blessed with the musical talents of Linnea Good during our Worship Service. Linnea Good is a singer-songwriter who has been called "the contemporary musical voice of the emerging church in Canada.” She is a leader in the fields of music in worship and biblical storytelling, having produced 11 CD/DVDs of the music of faith.

Berwick Camp 148

This wonderfully unique encampment dates back to 1872. Join us from July 26th – August 4th for friendship, laughter and memories, enjoyed by old and young alike. The theme is “Words Matter.” Information is available at both entrances.

An Evening With Rawlins Cross

Rawlins Cross is a band with a fusion of Celtic traditional music with the rhythms of Rock, Pop and Worldbeat music and they will be performing at Bridgewater United Church on October 19th, 7:30pm-10:00pm, promoting their 30th Anniversary “Flying Colours” Tour. The band was formed in St. John’s, Newfoundland in the late 1980s, and they continue to maintain a steady course with their 10th studio recording "Flying Colours." Tickets are $35. General Admission Seating. Doors open at 6:30pm. Tickets available through the Church Office weekday mornings, 9:30am-1:00pm.

A Message from the Church Envelope Steward

If you would like church envelopes for your family, look for the orange and blue forms at both entrances. Envelopes allow your church givings to be tallied into a tax receipt. PAR is a monthly pre-authorized bank withdrawal by Bridgewater United Church directly, that can be increased or decreased five business days before the end of the month. PAR forms are available at both entrances. PAR cards are available at both entrances, and placed in the Offering plate to specify your givings through PAR.

A Note From Property Committee

We currently only have six large (7.5ft) pews in the Chapel for sale for $150. Please call the Church Office **ONLY** at (902) 543-4833 to reserve your pew today.

Providing A Welcoming Space For All

If you know someone who has difficulty attending Worship because of transportation, please call the Church Office and we will arrange a Sunday Carpool.

Copies of the Choruses are on the top of the Hymn Book bookshelf at the back of the Sanctuary for those that would rather have the music in front of them.

The Church Sanctuary is open Monday to Friday, from 10:00am – 12:30pm, for anyone to take time for peace and meditation in a safe environment. If there is a function happening or the Church Office is closed, a time of praise will be cancelled.

Sunday School and Worship Nursery

There is an activity table at the back of the Sanctuary for children and an unsupervised Nursery available during July and August for parents/guardians with small children during the service. We are looking for a “new-to-us” baby monitor.

Outreach Opportunities

Monetary donations and donations of non-perishable food items are always appreciated throughout the month for the Bridgewater Inter-Church Food Bank. They have highlighted monthly needs, but donations are not limited to these. For July, there is a request for Flakes of Chicken, Ham and Tuna and Pasta Sauce (780ml).

Minute for Mindfulness

“What you do makes a difference,

and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make”

*~ Jane Goodall*