



**For the glory of God  
In the service of Christ  
For the good of the people**

**April 12– April 18**

**# 273 weekly newsletter and bulletin.**

**BETHANY SUNDAY WORSHIP at 11:00 a.m.**

**Pastor: Brian Keezer**

**Music: Donna Rhodenizer**

Also serving:

Sound booth: Alex Aucoin

Tellers: Donna, Heather, Michelle

Greeter: Marshall Jones

If you wish to join remotely, please use the following: Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/95784488697?pwd=UjNxMjhyOEIRcmNSc09Pa2Zuc1JRdz09>

Meeting ID: 957 8448 8697 Passcode: 110149

**This week at Bethany**

Sunday	10:00 11:00	Choir practice Service
Monday	6:30 6:30 7:00	VBS Sparks TOPS
Tuesday	11:00 2:00 6:30	Prayer meeting Bible Study Dukes of Kent
Wednesday	5:30	Alpha
Thursday	9:00 9:00 6:30	Backpacks Early Birds Embers
Friday	1:00	Puzzles

**Bethany Service**

Worship in Song: Rejoice the Lord is King # 370

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

Worship in Song:

- Alleluia Sing to Jesus #377
- You Are My King

Prayer for the Offering

Children’s Time

Worship in Song: The Lord of the Dance

Announcements

Prayers:

Worship in Song: I’m So Glad I’m a Part of the Family of God #419

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:3–8; Luke 24:36–43

Message: The Invisible Guest

Worship in Song: The Blood Will never Lose Its Power #334

Blessing

Please join us in the parlour for coffee and conversation.

**Pastor’s News**

In the event of an emergency or the need for spiritual care, you can contact the following: Pastor Brian can be reached at 902 690 5954 and Deacon Marshall Jones at 902 680 8806. You can also leave a message on the office phone at 902 678 3198, which is checked regularly.

## Pastor Brian's Weekly Schedule:

Monday: a.m. Dykeview  
p.m. Bethany

Tuesday: Bethany

Wednesday: Dykeland. Available for meetings  
at Bethany in the evening

Thursday: a.m.: Dykeland  
p.m. Bethany.

Please note that Pastor Brian works part-time  
for Bethany, but is only a phone call away.

Today Pastor Brian is starting a new sermon  
series with a focus on the aftermath of the  
Resurrection and why that matters to us.

**Series title: Ignite: 50 Days that Changed  
Everything."** The Resurrection wasn't the end  
of a story; it was the sparking of a fuse.  
One cannot remain neutral. Jesus demands a  
response that costs everything but gives back  
life.

**Today: The Invisible Guest** (The Evidence &  
The Skeptic)

**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 15:3–8; Luke 24:36–  
43

**The Event:** The proof of the 500 witnesses and  
the physical reality of the Resurrection.

**The Challenge:** If Jesus is alive, He isn't just a  
"good teacher"—He is the Son of God.

**Memory Verses:** Join Pastor Brian and Lucille  
in memorizing a passage from the Bible every  
week in 2025 and 2026.

We are now at verse 40

### 40 Philippians 4:6 NIV

**6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in  
every situation, by prayer and petition, with  
thanksgiving, present your requests to  
God.**

**Offering:** You may leave your offering in the  
offering plate at the door of the sanctuary,  
unless you have made other arrangements  
such as e-transfers. Benevolent Fund offerings  
can be placed in the wooden offering plate on

Communion Sunday. Should you wish to send  
your tithes and offerings by e-transfer, the  
email address to use is:

[Bethanymemorial61@gmail.com](mailto:Bethanymemorial61@gmail.com)

If you wish to contribute to our **Love Project  
2026**, From Waste to Worth, just designate  
'Love Project' on your regular envelope.



Today, our lesson is **Jesus Calls Disciples**

Teachers: **Audrey and Crissy**

There is an unsupervised nursery downstairs  
for parents to use. Please tidy it up before you  
leave.

**What is ALPHA?:** Alpha is a multi-week  
course that creates a safe, open and friendly  
space for people to explore the Christian faith.  
Each session includes a light supper, a short  
video exploring a different question of faith, and  
small-group discussions to share your thoughts  
and hear from others.

**Every WEDNESDAY at 5:30!**



**Bible Study:** Tuesday, at  
2 pm in the CE Centre.  
Our study is on the book of  
Isaiah: From Scarlet to  
Snow: Exploring God's  
Judgement, Mercy and

Hope in Isaiah. **Please read Isaiah chapters  
60-66 in preparation for our final study on  
Isaiah.**

### Financial Report from January 1st to February 28th, 2026

<b>Income:</b>	<b>\$ 19,392.93</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 18,516.59</b>
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>\$ 876.34</b>

We are very fortunate to have a surplus this early in the year. Our GIC (Guaranteed Income Certificate) matured at the bank and the interest earned from it along with an oil donation from 2025 has helped us out immensely!

Please continue to keep the church finances in prayer.



### Love project 2026

The children chose a project to support for our Love Project 2026. They would like to help the

CBM project in Guatemala, called **From Waste to Worth**, which will provide training and resources for churches, schools and communities to manage waste responsibly, improving health and protecting God's creation. We are also encouraging the children to bring in **refundable bottles and cans and juice boxes**, which will be returned to the depot for money for the Love Project. There is a large garbage can in the foyer, just waiting for your contribution. A good way to demonstrate how we care for God's creation!

**Note:** No refund is paid for bottles without labels, squished cans, or any container that held dairy products such as milk and yogurt. Soy and Almond milk containers are OK.

**We have raised \$ 219.15 to date. Two more Sundays to go!**

**RightNow Media:** Check out the many videos and Bible studies.

If you did not get an invitation in your email, then just use this link:

<https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/BMBCCA>,  
or ask Jennie to send you an invitation.

**Food bank letter:** A letter of thanks to Bethany is posted on the bulletin board at the back of the church. They are very appreciative of our faithful contributions, and said in part: **“Your congregation has clearly nurtured a spirit of generosity, compassion and community engagement and we are deeply grateful”**.

Last week we took 37 kg (81 lbs.) of food to the foodbank – we are a bit ahead of last year!

**Custodian:** Kathy Griffin is unable to continue cleaning the church at this time, and the trustees have agreed that Leona Spencer can take over those duties. As always, you can help by keeping things tidy when you use the church facilities.



**Yard Sale prep and day of sale:** Can you help? Check the sign-up sheets in the foyer.

### Community Events

**April 15:** “See You In September” Take Out Luncheon –at Port Williams Baptist \$10. Call by Monday, April 13th to Carol Ann Burden – 902-542-3681 or Ruth Blenkhorn 902-542- 7141 and we will call you back with a pick-up time on April 14th.

**April 20:** AGM for the Valley Care Pregnancy Centre starting at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary of the New Minas Baptist Church.

**April 28:** Interchurch Council meeting at Kentville Baptist Church, 9:30am in the church parlor. Tea, coffee and snacks will be provided.

### Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada

Pray for the partnership of Canadian Baptist Ministries as Baptists across Canada join in God's mission. Ask God to bless the work locally and globally in building the Church, responding to crisis, seeking justice, and caring for those at risk. Pray that the world would see signs of renewal through this shared witness.

## Canadian Baptist Ministries (CBM)

**North America:** Atlantic Canada – Please pray for Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada churches this April, that the promise and power of Christ’s resurrection would fill them with joy and send them out to share his renewing hope as creation awakens to new life. Also lift up the Wayfinding event and Youth Pastors Summit, as CBM partners with CBAC to care for and encourage leaders across the region, praying that these gatherings would bring renewal, wisdom, and deep encouragement to all who attend.

**Europe:** Marburg, Germany – The Germany-wide Youth Easter Bible Camp will take place early April, with around 140 teenagers and young adults of Chinese background participating. Please pray that what they have heard and read about, and experienced with Jesus during the camp, will have a lasting impact on them and strengthen their faith.

**Latin America and Caribbean:** Pray for Woodstock Baptist as they travel to the Dominican Republic to serve with CBM staff Kathryn Scott and for the academic reinforcement program, as well as for the kids and volunteers that maintain the program in 7 IBAREDO churches.

**MENA:** Pray for the Egyptian Baptist Convention’s annual Leadership Development Conference in late April, that it may bring renewed wisdom and insight to pastors and leaders as they serve their congregations.

**Africa:** Pray for the Church in Rwanda, as they are still waiting for the permission from the government to re-open. The government promoted a new law since March 2025 and since then the churches are working on their structures and building renovations to comply with the law, including putting in place pastors with accepted qualifications.

**Asia:** Kazakhstan –Baptist Union (CBM Partner) are having fund transfer issues to start the project for churches planting and missionary training. They request for prayers that all obstacles would be removed. Likewise, Almaty Bible Institute (CBM Partner) requests prayers for the first publication of

Journal “LEPTA” in English in addition to their local language that concentrates on developing local theology in central Asia.

### Prayer Log

We share our concerns and pray for one another, and we praise God for answered prayer.



Thank you for your continued prayers for the various health needs within the **States Family**.

Please continue to pray for good health for **Lynda Wagner**.

Please keep **Kathy Griffin** in prayer as she deals with the effects of a fall.

Do not forget to pray for **your prayer partner** this week.

*Please note: Prayer concerns are shared only with the knowledge and permission of those for whom prayer is being requested. You can contact the church office at 678-3198, or email the church office at [bmbcoffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca](mailto:bmbcoffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca) if you have any prayer requests for yourself, a friend, family, or wish to provide an update, or a request that a name be removed.*

### Our Church Contact Information

Church address: 539 Aldershot Road, Kentville  
NS, B4N 3A5

Website: [www.bethanymemorial.com](http://www.bethanymemorial.com)

Email: [bmbcoffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca](mailto:bmbcoffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca) Church

Office: (902) 678-3198