

### This Week at Kentville Baptist

Today	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	11:00am	Worship/ Sunday School
Wednesday	4:00pm	Church Family Skate @ Kentville Arena
Sunday	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	11:00am	Worship/ Communion/ Sunday School
	12:15pm	Board of Community Ministries

Weekly sermons are available online at [www.kentvillebaptist.org](http://www.kentvillebaptist.org)  
and by phone at 1-888-813-3162.

### Upcoming At Kentville Baptist:

January 1st, 2025 – New Year’s Day Church Family Skate – Kentville Arena, 4 – 5 pm

January 5<sup>th</sup> – Deacon Braedon MacDonald speaking

January 12<sup>th</sup> – CBAC Executive Minister – Rev. Renée MacVicar visiting and speaking,

CBM Coin Cans collected by Board of Missions at this service.

**MESSAGE FROM OFFICE:** Please note that I will be taking time off from December 25<sup>th</sup> to January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025. I would like to thank the Pastors, the Stewards and Jani Dufton for their help while I take a much needed rest over the holidays. ~ Alison

**Holiday Pastoral Contact Information** - Pastor Dave will be away from Christmas Day to January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. For pastoral emergencies please contact Pastor Devin at 902-678-3162 (church), 902-679-3611 (home), or contact Gary Corbin (Chair, Board of Deacons) at 902-678-3385.



Thank you for your cooperation and consideration of others by turning your phones off or setting them to silence during the morning worship service.

**With winter weather here please note that** Kentville Baptist Church makes every effort to



hold church during our storm season. However, if there are power or safety concerns during a storm, the Deacons have developed a cancellation protocol. Notices of the cancellation will be posted on CBC, AVR and Rewind 89.3 and on church voice mail (if there is no power outage) and web site.

**Also!** Groups meeting at the church are encouraged to make sure their members and the church are notified of any meeting or event cancellations due to inclement weather.

### Ministry Team and Contact Information

Ministers: All believers

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**Welcome to Kentville United Baptist Church  
December 29th, 2024**

\*Indicates when to stand (anyone experiencing difficulty in standing may remain seated)

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

Prelude: Karen McNutt, clarinet

Welcome & Announcements

Call To Worship

\*Songs of Praise: (please see insert, hymnal or ppt screen for lyrics)

**Away in a Manger 262**

**Infant Holy, Infant Lowly 279**

Prayer With the Children Deacon Craig Keddy

(Children grades P-6+ may leave for Sunday School. Parents, please pick up your children after the service from the classrooms located at the end of the hall past the washrooms and nursery area).

**SHARING AS A COMMUNITY**

Stewardship: Investing In God's Kingdom

Offertory

Stewardship Response: **What Can I Give Him? 263**

Prayers of the People: Giving Thanks & Sharing Concerns

**LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\*Hymn of Preparation: **Angels From the Realms of Glory 259**

Scripture: Luke 2: 8 - 14

Message: "Can You Hear The Angels Singing?" Deacon Gary Corbin

**GOING OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD**

\*Commissioning Hymn: **I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day 267**

\*Blessing

Postlude

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***This morning's bulletins have been donated by Gary and Sarah Corbin, in loving memory of Grandparents; Lewis Peck, Lewis Potter, and Rose Corbin***



There will not be Coffee time after today's morning service. Coffee and Fellowship will resume after church NEXT Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

*Thank you for joining us in worship.*

*We invite you to fill in the welcome card in the pew rack or our guest book. Anyone may use the reverse side of the card for prayer items or questions.*

*Completed cards may be placed on the offering plate. We hope you feel welcome here and that you will worship with us again.*



**COMMUNION NEXT WEEK:** Next week we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together. Our apostle Paul urges us to recognize the body of Christ (meaning our brothers and sisters in Jesus) whenever we gather for communion. So let's do something else Paul mentions: examine our hearts during this week for any lack of respect or love toward any whom Christ has redeemed and to whom he has joined us in one body, so we can join together next Sunday with joy and in true unity.

**PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME** in Room 202 – 10:00 – 10:45 am. Please enter and leave quietly. Should you have a private prayer concern please come toward the last half of our time, then we can talk quietly and pray together. Private prayer concerns will be kept private. More details? Contact Quincy and Bonnie Collins at [quincycollins2011@gmail.com](mailto:quincycollins2011@gmail.com)



**New Year's Day Church Family Skate** – free of charge at Kentville arena, courtesy the CE Board. **Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 4:00 – 5:00 pm**, all welcome.

**Others in Ministry**

**This Week**

Greeters: Nancie & David Armstrong

Ushers: Craig Keddy, Benjamin Johnstone

Tellers: Murray Lawson (Head), Art & Liz Aucoin

PowerPoint: Creator – Al Kingsbury Presenter- Al Kingsbury

Sound Technician: Kevin Higgins

**Next Week**

Greeters: TBD

Ushers: Kim Dobson, Karen Wilder

Tellers: Arnold Lemmon (Head), Bob & Myrna Blenkhorn

PowerPoint: Creator –Jani Dufton Presenter- Jim Peerless

Sound Technician: TBD

**TELLERS AND HEAD TELLERS** – The 2025 schedule is in your mailbox. The Head Tellers' schedule is on the back page. There is a copy on the bulletin board in the Teller's Room.

*JUST A THOUGHT . . . (a slow meander through Mark)*

*Read Mark 7:5-8*

Questioning the conduct of Jesus' disciples is the teachers' thinly veiled way of criticizing Jesus for his lack of proper instruction. Jesus quotes the words of Isaiah who was taking a strip off the hypocrites of his day: "Your praise is hollow, your worship a farce. You pay attention to human customs and leave God's commands undone." Pretend godliness is rampant among the religious.

How is my sense of righteousness before God influenced by empty religious custom?

**Kentville Baptist is a Scent-Free Place of Worship**

Please be scent-sitive and refrain from wearing scented perfumes, colognes and products, as there are individuals in our church family who have allergies to these items.



**At Kentville Baptist** one of the ways we support each other is through a **Prayer Line**. People in the church have committed themselves to pray privately for people and situations about which they are notified. Prayer concerns are shared only with the knowledge and permission of those for whom prayer is being sought. If you have a

prayer request, please contact Pastor Dave by phone at: 902-678-3162 (church) or 902-681-2264 (home) or Karen Wilder at (902) 681-0116 to get the Prayer Line in motion.

**\*\*\*Our Christian sympathies and support** are extended to the family and friends who are grieving the passing of Tony Bentley. Funeral service and reception will be held this afternoon at the White Family Funeral Home at 1:00pm.

**\*\*\* Our Christian sympathies and support** are extended to Marion McLellan and family who are grieving the recent passing of Harlan McLellan on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Deacons' Prayer List:** *In the bulletin each week, we include the names of people in our church family who are unable to worship with us on a regular basis. We invite you to remember these people in prayer, phone calls or visits. **This week please keep** Bertha Reid, Barb Smith, Myrna Wilson, Dorothy Beach, Mary Jean Brown, Peggy DesBarres, Marcia Higgins and Hazel Greene in prayer.*

**Supper Prayers** - You are invited to set aside some time at your supper table to pray for the situation in the Ukraine.

Let's remember the conflict in the Middle East and pray for peace for both Israelis and Palestinians.

#### **Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC) Prayer Link:**

*December 29 - As we look back over the past year, we are so thankful for God's blessings and how we've seen him at work in our churches! We are especially thankful for our Executive Minister, Rev. Renée MacVicar who leads with passion, wisdom, and a deep love for the churches of CBAC. We thank God for equipping her in her role and for her genuine heart to serve his Kingdom. Please pray over Renée and her family this week. Ask for God's continued strength and endurance as she leads, and that she would be encouraged and renewed for the coming year of ministry!*

#### **Missions in the New Year!**

The Board of Missions invites you to mark on your calendars that CBAC Executive Minister, Rev. Renée MacVicar, will be here at Kentville Baptist Church on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup> to visit with us. Please plan to attend and welcome her among us that Sunday morning!

The Board also will be collecting any CBM Cans that you might have filled up for a donation from our church for projects with Canadian Baptist Ministries. If you don't have a can please consider giving a donation through the use of a pew envelope clearly marked "*CBM Cans*" and add your church envelope number or your name and address if you would like a tax receipt for any donations you wish to give.

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

**Anyone wishing to make a year-end donation** may do so by placing it in the church side door mail box slot before noon, **Tuesday, December 31st**. **Year-end statements** will be ready in **February 2025**.

**2025 Budget Request Deadline** - The Board of Stewards would like to ask that information for the 2025 budget be submitted to the Church Treasurer, Kevin Higgins, no later than **Friday, January 17th, 2025**.

**Way Station Group** - This group meets monthly for the purpose of Christian fellowship and discussion for those in their 30s and 40s. If you are interested in attending or would like more information please reach out to Braedon and Rebecca MacDonald (braedonmacdonald@gmail.com). Their next meeting will be on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm @ the Bielbys.

**Please Note: ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE FRIDAY, JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2025.** All groups and committees are responsible for handing in a report. They can be emailed, on cd/ memory stick or hand written and dropped off at the Church Office.



**Life Lessons From Psalms** – The Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study Group will begin an uplifting and encouraging look at the Book of Psalms starting on **Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us at 1:30pm in the Parlour if you are interested! For more information please contact JoAnne Manning.