

This Week At Kentville Baptist

Today	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	10:00am	Praise Team
	11:00am	Worship/ Sunday School
Monday	1:30pm	Ladies' Auxiliary
Tuesday	9:00am	Quilters
	6:00pm	Valley Voices
	7:00pm	Board of Deacons
Wednesday	6:15pm	Adventure Club
	7:30pm	Sanctuary Choir
Thursday	9:00am	Quilters
	9:30am	Men's Group (Chapel)
	1:30pm	Afternoon Bible Study
	10:00am	Rtd. RCMP (Parlour)
Friday	10:00am	Prayer Group
	6:00pm	Valley Voices Coaching Workshop
Saturday	9:00am	EVBA Council Meeting (Lockhart Room)
	9:00am	Committee on Signage Mtg (Chapel)
	9:00am	Valley Voices Coaching Workshop
Sunday	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	10:00am	Praise Team
	11:00am	Baptism/ Worship/ Sunday School

**Weekly sermons are available online at www.kentvillebaptist.org
and by phone at 1-888-813-3162.**

Kentville Baptist is a Scent-Free Place of Worship

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



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

Thank You For Your Offerings – *Stewardship and giving is an important element of our worship of God, who calls us to present unto Him “ourselves, our souls and our bodies” (Rom 12:1). If you are able to and wish to give, you may either place your offering in the collection plate, send an e-transfer to treasurer@kentvillebaptist.org or consider signing up for pre-authorized giving (form in the foyer or contact the church office). We give thanks to God for His goodness and blessing, which enable us to give generously toward our work together*

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ORDER OF SERVICE

March 16th, 2025

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

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Margie Gay

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

Create In Me A Clean Heart

Wonderful, Merciful Saviour

Time With The Children

(Children and Teachers may leave for their Sunday School program at this time)

SHARING AS A COMMUNITY

Stewardship: Investing in God's Kingdom

Offertory

*Stewardship Song: **For The Life That You Have Given**

Ministry of Music: "Kyrie Canon" (arr. Beck)

Sanctuary Choir

Prayers of the People: Giving Thanks & Sharing Concerns

Margie Bielby

LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation: **Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus** **581**

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 5:17-6:2

Wayne Gay

Message: "A Short Guide to Reconciliation"

GOING OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD

*Commissioning Hymn: **My Faith Looks Up To Thee** **539**

*Blessing

Postlude

Note: The text of today's choir anthem is "*Kýrie, eléison, Christe, eléison*", which means "*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy*". This comes from numerous places in the Bible, and is a common Christian penitential prayer asking for God's mercy (particularly appropriate for use during Lent).

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TIME in Room 202 from 10 - 10:45. 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

We will be having a baptismal service NEXT SUNDAY. If you sense that God is calling you to be baptized as a faithful follower of Jesus, please speak to Pastor Dave or Pastor Devin.

Others in Ministry

Today

Greeters: Nancie & David Armstrong

Ushers: Lilly Campbell, David Armstrong

Tellers: Arnold Lemmon (Head), Nancie & David Armstrong

PowerPoint: Creator – Alison Brathwaite Presenter- Alison Brathwaite

Sound Technician: Kevin Higgins

Next Week

Greeters: Eileen Cochrane, Ellen Kyte

Ushers: Tim & Debbie Brothers

Tellers: Arnold Lemmon (Head), Ellen Kyte, Karen Watson

PowerPoint: Creator – Alison Brathwaite Presenter- Alison Brathwaite

Sound Technician: John & Micah Campbell

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

Read Mark 8:14-21

The disciples feel ill-prepared with only one loaf of bread to eat. Jesus expects better from them because they had witnessed his power to feed thousands with a meal made for a few. What could this be but dull unbelief, the kind of response that Jesus expected from the Pharisees and Herod?! (See Mark 6:14-29) He goes through all his recent miracles with them, but they still don't get it.

What experiences can I recall that bolster my faith in Jesus?

*In loving memory of Darlene Peerless who died on March 26, 2020.
Bulletins this morning have been donated by the Peerless Family including
Jim, Aaron, Jaimie, Anika, Dave, Rowan and Jordyn.*



Please join us after the service in the Parlour for a time of refreshments and fellowship! Please note that there is an elevator lift available for those who require assistance.

LENT



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.



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.

Thank you – We would like to thank the ladies and everyone for the food, desserts, flowers, cards and well wishes during Debbie’s hip replacement surgery. It was much appreciated! God bless, Debbie and Lynn Joseph.

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. **Please keep** Dorothy Beach, Mary Jean Brown, Peggy DesBarres and Hazel Greene in prayer this week.*

Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada (CBAC) Prayer Link:

March 23rd - Thank God for the Pension & Benefits Board (and Pension & Benefits Manager, Karen Gunn) as they faithfully carry out their mandate to serve the Canadian Baptists of Atlantic Canada. Pray for wisdom and discernment as they manage retirement and insurance plans, ensuring care and support for those who serve in ministry or who have since retired.

Please go to <https://atlanticbaptist.ca/> for more prayer requests, news, videos and happenings with the CBAC!

CBM Prayerline

North America - As we begin our journey toward Easter this March, we pray for a season of reflection, renewal, and spiritual growth. May the Church, locally and globally, embrace the true meaning of this season — that what was once broken is made new in Jesus.

Europe - Pray for the church in Kassel as they grow in their evangelism ministry. Pray that the congregation will have a passion for evangelism, sharing their testimonies with the Chinese around them and inviting people to come along to Sunday services.

MENA - Pray for Provision for the many churches trying to meet ever-increasing need in their communities. Food prices continue to climb while many people are still unable to return to their homes.

Latin America and Caribbean - Pray for the Summit on Discipleship (March 25-28) in Bogotá, Colombia, where 1,000 leaders from 20 countries will gather. May this event inspire renewal in the Latin American church.

Africa - Many people in the countries in Africa where CBM has partners are being significantly impacted due to the unexpected closing of essential programs and initiatives due to the sudden withdrawal of USAID funding. A lot of additional, unexpected hardship is being experienced.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Create In Me A Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord.
And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
and renew a right spirit within me.

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Wonderful, Merciful Saviour

1. Wonderful, merciful Saviour
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue our souls from sin
Oh You rescue our souls from sin
2. Counselor, Comforter, Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost the way
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way

*Chorus: You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for*

3. Almighty, infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

*Chorus: You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for
(repeat chorus)*

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For The Life That You Have Given

For the life that You have given,
for the love in Christ made known,
With these fruits of time and labour,
with these gifts that are Your own;
here we offer, Lord our praises;
heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve You,
living what we pray and sing.

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Kentville Baptist Church Board Officers for 2025/2026

Board of Stewards

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KEYS – All Boards are issued a set of keys for their access for meetings and other activities. Boards should also note that the transfer of the Board sets of church keys from Board chair to chair need to be arranged through the church office.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



A huge thank you is extended by the Hand In Hand Committee for all of the help both in donation of supplies and volunteer time towards the St. Patrick Brunch held on Saturday, March 15th. A morning of fun and fellowship was had by all who attended and we were able raise \$795.75 to help our church. We were also able to provide a good donation of food to Valley Connect Outreach which was greatly appreciated!

Watch the bulletin for our next events coming up and how you can help!

Ladies Auxiliary March Meeting – The Ladies Auxiliary will be meeting on Monday, March 24th at 1:30 pm for their March meeting in the Parlour. Programme will be all about preparing for an emergency and creating a “To Go Bag”. All interested are welcome to attend and new members are warmly received!

Please Note: The Afternoon Bible Study which meets on Wednesday afternoons will be meeting on Thursday afternoon (March 27th) at 1:30 pm in the Parlour for this week only and will resume to meeting on Wednesday afternoon the following week on April 2nd. All are welcome to join in at anytime!

The Coldest Night of the Year Walk on February 22nd, 2025 raised a total of \$3,365 for the homeless, the hungry and the hurting folks in the Kentville area. Our team, the Snow Shepherds placed 10th out of 68 teams representing the Annapolis Valley in raising the most money. Thank you to the people who prayed for our safety, donated and supported this walk for a most worthy cause. Thanks to the walkers, Earle, Karen and Bob. All funds raised go to the Open Arms organization here in Kentville.

Refugee Team update – Applications have been submitted to co-sponsor three Somali refugees, partnering with Mohamed Iye. The three men, Hassan Ibrahim, Yahya Abdul and Abdi Noor all live in the Dadaab refugee camp in Kenya. Two have lived there since they were small children, the third was born in the camp. We have been told that it will be 3 - 4 years for the application to be processed but this is the first important step. As agreed the finances required have all been provided in advance by Mohamed and his team of ex refugees and have been invested with the Baptist Foundation. Please pray for these men as they wait to start the next stage of their lives.



Did you know that there is a Christian camp right here in Kings County on Lake George? Kingswood Camp offers a number of summer camps for children and youth from Grade P to 12. If you or someone you know are interested in attending one of the Kingswood Camp programs this summer and need financial support, please reach out to the Kentville United Baptist Church. We are pleased to offer some financial assistance to those who may otherwise not have the opportunity to attend camp. Visit kingswoodcamp.ca for more details on their programs. Registration is now open and camps fill quickly.

Large Print Copies – Our Daily Bread - The large print editions of the Our Daily Bread devotional for April-June are available in the foyer. Please consider giving a small donation to help cover the cost of this ministry. Please think too about making a visit and delivering one to someone who might enjoy this devotional material.

Holy Week at Kentville Baptist

All Welcome!

Palm Sunday, April 13th, 11:00am, Worship Service

Maundy Thursday Service, April 17th, 7:00 pm. Worship with Communion.

Good Friday Service, April 18th, 10:30 am.

Easter Sunday Service, April 20th, 11:00 am

