

### This Week At Kentville Baptist

Today	10:00am	Pre-Service Prayer (Room 202)
	10:00am	Praise Team
	11:00am	Worship/ Sunday School
Monday	6:30 pm	<i>Hope Explored</i> – Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 am	Quilters
	2:00 pm	Friends In Bereavement
	6:00 pm	Valley Voices
	7:00 pm	Board of Christian Education
Wednesday	1:30 pm	Afternoon Bible Study
	6:15 pm	Adventure Club
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir
Thursday	9:00 am	Quilters
	7:00 pm	Bible Study @ Bielbys'
Friday	10:00am	Prayer Group
Saturday	1:00 pm	Valley Voices (extra rehearsal – hall)
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Weekly sermons are available online at [www.kentvillebaptist.org](http://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 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](mailto: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.

### **Ministry Team and Contact Information**

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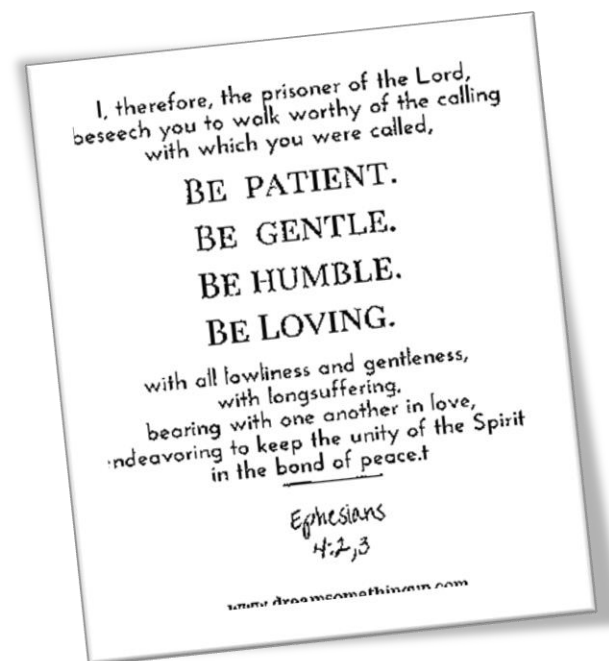
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# Welcome to Worship at Kentville United Baptist Church

Grow Up as Christ's Disciples  
Team Up for a Healthy Church  
Reach Out to a Hurting World



*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.*

## Order of Service

January 14, 2024

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

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### GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship & Prayer

Mary Bent

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

**Goodness of God**

**Speak O Lord**

Time With The Children

*(Children may come forward during the last song of praise. After the children's time, Children ages 3-grade primary may leave for Little Church, Children grades 1-6+ 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

Rebecca MacDonald & Suzie Blatt

\*Stewardship Song: **Doxology**

**815**

Ministry of Music: "Will Your Anchor Hold?"

ADC Alumni Quartet

Update On ADC & Prayers of the People

John Campbell

### LISTENING AND RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Preparation: **Open My Eyes, that I May See**

**563**

Scripture: Ephesians 4: 11-16; Luke 6: 39-40

Greg Bent

Message: "Apprentices of Jesus"

Dr. Harry Gardner

### GOING OUT TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD

\*Commissioning Hymn: **Lord, You Give the Great Commission**

\*Blessing

Postlude

*Today we acknowledge the work of the Acadia Divinity College, in Wolfville our connections with and our historic support of the college. We thank Dr. Harry Gardner for bringing the message to us this morning.*



**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.

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**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](mailto:quincycollins2011@gmail.com)

### Others in Ministry

**Today**

Greeters: Tim & Debbie Brothers

Ushers: TBA

Tellers: Sandra Weir (Head), Bob & Lynne Dorland

PowerPoint: Creator – Alison Brathwaite Presenter- Alison Brathwaite

Sound Technician: Bob Dorland

**Next Week**

Greeters: Sandra & Tracey Weir

Ushers: TBA

Tellers: Murray Lawson (Head), Ted & Sandi King

PowerPoint: Creator – Jani Dufton Presenter- Jim Peerless

Sound Technician: John & Micah Campbell

**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 the church voice mail (if there is no power outage) and web site.

### Interested in Pre-Authorized Church Giving?

Pre-authorized giving is a convenient way of giving to your church on a regular basis throughout the year, even when you cannot be present for a period of time. You will no longer need to write cheques and mail them. Each week your church offering will be automatically transferred from your bank account. Of course, you can always continue to use your church offering envelopes for Special Occasions or additional giving.

The authorization forms can be found in the foyer or at the church office. If you have questions please contact Kevin Higgins, Church Treasurer.

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

*Read Mark 2:21-22*

We might be guilty of using these verses to support our push for newer ways of "doing church." Out with the old, in with the new. Fair enough. But Jesus is talking about how the kingdom of God that he is bringing cannot be contained in the restrictive ways of even the most honourable and worthwhile religious practices. Something new is coming and it will tear the old into pieces.

Where in my life is God inviting me into something new?



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.

**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*** Marie Parks, Bertha Reid, Myrna Wilson and Dorothy Beach in prayer this week.

**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.

#### CBM Weekly Prayer Points

\* Chinese Ministries Team – Pray for the Germany Team. May God guide and help them discern the needs of the church in 2024. May all the plans be pleasing to God and bring more people to Christ.

\* India Team – We need to pray for God's mercy so that those most vulnerable can experience economic justice. Pray that the church receives grace to care for the weak, the discriminated, and the marginalized—such as the homeless, the immigrants, the elderly, the orphans, the outcasts, and the poor.

\* Pray for all our international partners starting a new project year. In particular, the Creation Care projects in 2024. This is a new area of work for CBM and many of our partners, so pray that they will have wisdom and encouragement as they begin.

\* Africa Team – Pray for provision, good health and safety for the staff and their families in Africa.

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

- ❖ *January 14 - As a new semester begins, pray for the students heading back to school, and specifically those attending Acadia Divinity College and Crandall University. Pray that they would have energy and focus as they begin new classes, and that they would feel encouraged in their studies this semester.*

**NOTE!** The **CBM Coin Cans** will be collected **on Sunday, January 28th during the service**. Funds raised will be used in the CBM Hopeful Gifts Catalogue donated for use as "Where Most Needed" (*not the refugee sponsorship as mentioned last week*). Don't have a can but would still like to contribute? Place your donation in a pew envelope and clearly mark it with **CBM CANS** and add your name or envelope number for a tax receipt. Replacement cans are available for those who would like to continue saving their loose change. ~ Thank you from the Board of Missions.

## SONGS OF PRAISE

### Goodness of God

1. I love You, Lord, For Your mercy never fails me  
All my days, I've been held in Your hands  
From the moment that I wake up, Until I lay my head  
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

[chorus] *And all my life You have been faithful  
And all my life You have been so, so good  
With every breath that I am able  
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God*

2. I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire  
In the darkest night, You are close like no other  
I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a Friend  
And I have lived in the goodness of God

[chorus]

[Bridge 2x]

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me  
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now  
I give You everything, Your goodness is running after  
It's running after me.

[chorus 2 x]

[tag] Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God.

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### Speak, O Lord

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your Holy Word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.

Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory.

2. Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
Holy reverence, true humility;  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity.

Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of pow'r that can never fail—  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

3. Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises,  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

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### **Lord, You Give the Great Commission**

Lord, You give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."  
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,  
Help us witness to Your purpose with renewed integrity,  
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, You call us to Your service: "In My name baptize and teach."  
That the world may trust Your promise, life abundant meant for each,  
Give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community.  
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, You make the common holy: "This My body, this My blood."  
Let us all, for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward,  
Asking that the world around us share Your children's liberty  
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, You show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive."  
Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us to a just society.  
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, You bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."  
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as You intend  
And, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity.  
With the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

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## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



**ANNUAL REPORTS WERE DUE FRIDAY, JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2024.** All groups and committees are responsible for handing in a report. If you haven't sent one in please do so as soon as possible as I will be starting to compile the report book this week. Note: after January 12<sup>th</sup>, I cannot guarantee its inclusion in the booklet and reports may need to be printed by the responsible group and submitted as supplements. **THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE SUBMITTED THEM TO THE OFFICE ALREADY! Your time to prepare them is much appreciated!**

**Please check your Church mailboxes!** Many still have Christmas mail to be picked up. Your 2024 offering envelopes were distributed. If you do not have envelopes and would like some, please contact Myrna Blenkhorn, Kevin Higgins, or the Church Office. If you have any concerns regarding your envelopes, please contact Kevin or Myrna. If you do not have a mail slot and would like one please let us know.

**An encouraging update** - Our church has a goal of providing \$15,000 by March 3, 2024 to help the Acadia Divinity College (ADC) establish a permanent teaching position that would equip and encourage faith communities to become advocates for justice and reconciliation. **We have now reached a total of \$12,593!** In summary:

Support from all five KUBC boards:	\$5,000
Individual donations	\$2,531
Matching funds from Deacons' Board	\$5,062

The Baptist Foundation is matching all donations from churches, so this will double the effect of our giving to date to become \$25,186.

### **150th Anniversary Celebrations**

**Save the date!** On March 3, 2024 we launch the church's 150th Anniversary celebrations featuring former pastor Rev. Dr. John McNally as special speaker in worship, followed by a light lunch for all. In addition, the Deacons will be featuring several special events throughout the anniversary year. Everyone is invited to participate in the celebrations!

**NEWS** - Looking for your help - When we launch our anniversary celebrations on March 3, 2024 we expect to have a "Heritage display" table. If you have items at home that might be associated with Kentville Baptist and would like to include them in the display, please bring them to the church office. If you want to have items returned instead of having them kept in the church archives, please clearly label the items with your name and contact information. If you have pictures, it would be great if you can identify who is in the picture!