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*Milton Christian Church Vision Statement*

*We are part of the body of Christ, a community of faithful, caring people. Together we are called by God to care for and serve our neighbours, near and far, with love and compassion.*

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*Milton Christian Church*

*October 6, 2024 - Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Minister: Russell Prime*

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*(Please pick up your communion elements from the back table prior to the service.)*

**Prelude:** Joy Anthony, Pianist

**Welcome:** Cathy Truelove

Welcome to our Service this morning. We are glad that you have come to worship at Milton Christian Church! We hope this time together is one of rest, renewal and rejuvenation in God's presence. We invite you to join us again. We also invite visitors to sign our Guest Book on the table at the back as you leave.

**Announcements:** Cathy Truelove

**Gathering Words:** (Unison) Cathy Truelove

**"What are humans that you are mindful of them or mortals that you care for them?" Not angels, to be sure. Just people, the beloved children of God.**

**Call to Worship:** (Responsively) Cathy Truelove

One: Your steadfast love is before our eyes, O God.

**All: Help us move in faithfulness.**

One: When tests and trials come—when evil itself appears—we place our trust in you, O Knower of joy and suffering.

**All; Help us move with integrity.**

One: Place us on level ground, O Redeemer.

**All: Move us to sing songs of thanksgiving and to proclaim your wondrous deeds.**

**Hymn of Praise:** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" On PowerPoint

**Invocation:** (Unison) Cathy Truelove

**Gracious God, through whom all things exist, we are mindful this day of siblings in faith around the world. We rejoice in our oneness with them. We are mindful, too, of those near at hand and those far away—those who suffer from ills and calamities, from wars and disasters. Be present with them and us, we pray—even as you fix our hearts on you and how we might, in faith, respond to the needs of neighbours around the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

**Scripture:** (Responsively) Psalm 26 Philip Vitols

**Scripture:** Mark 10:2-16 Cathy Truelove

**Message:** Cathy Truelove

**Invitation Hymn:** "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" # 190

**Birthdays, Blessings, Joys and Concerns:** Cathy Truelove

**Pastoral Prayer and Our Lord's Prayer:** Cathy Truelove

**Prayer Response:** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" # 305

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.*

**Special Music:** Piano Solo Marjorie Speed

**Stewardship Thought:** Cathy Truelove

The psalmist invites us to walk in faithfulness before God. As part of this journey of faithfulness, with thanks for God's wondrous deeds, and in support of the church's ministry in this neighbourhood and around the world, let us share our tithes and offerings.

**Doxology:** (Tune: # 46)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Dedication Prayer:** Cathy Truelove

**Holy God, creator of this and many other worlds, bless these gifts in Jesus' name, that they may aid a world of need, near and far. Amen.**

**Invitation to the Table:** Sharon McKenzie

**Communion Hymn:** "We Come as Guests Invited" # 386

**Words of Institution:** Sharon McKenzie  
**Prayers and Participation:** Kathy Chute  
(We will partake together when instructed by the Pastor.)

**Communion Closing Prayer:** (Unison) Sharon McKenzie  
On this World Communion Sunday we have come as part of the whole people of God to gather at your table. We have taken the bread and cup with brothers and sisters from all around the planet, gathered in your love and unified in your praise. Let the meaning of this moment expand our vision of what it means to be your one people in Jesus Christ. Amen

**Closing Hymn:** "God Be with You Till Meet Again" # 434

**Benediction:** (Unison) Cathy Truelove  
Go forth, as God gives you strength, blameless and upright, persistent in integrity, trusting without wavering, and confident in God's love. Go in peace. Amen.

**Closing Response:** (Responsively) Cathy Truelove  
One: The Peace of Christ be with you, Sisters and Brothers.  
All: "And also with you!"

**Threefold Amen:** # 312  
**Postlude:** Joy Anthony, Organist

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**CONTACT INFO FOR PASTOR:** Our pastor, Russell Prime can be reached at 1-902-354-4950 or 1-902-401-1202. His office hours are Wednesdays from **12 p.m. - 2 p.m.** at the church. His days off are Monday and Tuesdays of each week.

**CHURCH FAMILY BIRTHDAYS:** This week October 6-12  
**Thursday - Mary Whynot**

**PRAYER LIST:** Please keep these friends & family in prayer during the week. If you notice that someone is missing from this list, or you would like to have someone added to the list, please call the church office at 902-354-4954 and leave a message with your info.

**Surf Lodge, Lockeport:** Buzz Neilson  
**Prayers:** Noel Dexter Liz Vitols Riley Alexander  
Caleb Anthony Shae D'Arcy

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*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Sunday, October 6, 2024*



## WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



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**CHURCHES IN PRAYER:** We remember our local congregations and pastors each week. Today we pray for **Father Jossey Benadict** and the congregation of **St. Gregory's Roman Catholic Church**, Liverpool.

We also remember our Canadian Disciple congregations and pastors across Canada each week. Today we pray for **Chaplains: Sarah Wicks-Potter, Esther Gullen and Rev. Heather Liddell** and the congregation of **Chapelle Ste-Marthe**, Montreal, Quebec. This church is a shared student ministry of the Anglican Church of Canada, The United Church of Canada & the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada.

**FOOD BANK:** Our September Food Bank Goal was 25 + boxes of Granola Bars and we received **31** boxes. Great job! Thanks! **For next Sunday, Thanksgiving Sunday, we would appreciate non-perishable items of your choice to fill our Thanksgiving Table.** Let's continue to assist our Food Bank. They appreciate all our donations.

**OUR DAILY BREAD:** We have large print copies of Our Daily Bread for **October/November/December** on the back table.

**SCHEDULE REMINDERS:** You are reminded that those listed below are scheduled to participate in the service next Sunday, **October 13<sup>th</sup>:**

**Greeters/Communion:** Kathy & John Chute

**Elder:** Kathy Chute **Scripture:** Janet Fountain

**Coffee & Chat:** Charlie Eaton & Mary Whynot

**BIBLE STUDY:** Bible Study with Cathie Dexter continues this **Thursday, October 10 at 2:00 p.m.** at the Summerville Christian Church. The Theme is: *For the Advancement of His Kingdom.....*

**THANKSGIVING SUNDAY:** Our guest speaker next week, Thanksgiving Sunday is Rev. Carol Smith. Come join us as we give thanks to God for our many blessings and welcome Rev. Carol with us.

**MILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - BLACKSMITH SHOP:** The Milton Blacksmith Shop is in need of financial assistance to keep its doors open next year. They are asking us to spread the word to the community that they are in need of funding. Donations would be greatly appreciated. **Donations can be sent to Milton Heritage Society, Box 572, Milton, NS, B0T 1P0. Charitable receipts are available.**

## UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

<b>October 6</b>	11:00 a.m.	World Communion Sunday Service
	12:15 p.m.	Coffee & Chat
<b>October 7</b>	1:30 p.m.	Milton Café
<b>October 9</b>	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	2:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle
<b>October 11</b>	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Cathie Dexter at Summerville
<b>October 13</b>	11:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Sunday Service
<b>October 14</b>		Happy Thanksgiving
<b>October 16</b>	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	2:30 p.m.	Elders
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle
<b>October 17</b>	2:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study with Cathie Dexter
<b>October 18</b>		Indigenous Winter Talk begins
<b>October 19</b>		Indigenous Winter Talk Continues
<b>October 20</b>	11:00 a.m.	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service with guests who attended Winter Talk sessions.
	12:30 p.m.	Coffee Hour
<b>October 21</b>	1:30 p.m.	<b>NO</b> Milton Café
<b>October 22</b>	5:30 p.m.	CMF Supper Meeting
<b>October 23</b>	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle
<b>October 25</b>	2:00 p.m.	Zoom Bible Study with Cathie Dexter
<b>October 27</b>	11:00 a.m.	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Service
<b>October 30</b>	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle
<b>October 31</b>		Happy Halloween
<b>November 3</b>	11:00 a.m.	Our 190 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service
	12:30 p.m.	Coffee Hour