Hillcrest United Church
Montague Pastoral Charge

Sunday June 28, 2026
5th after Pentecost
Graduate Recognition Sunday
Guatemala Mission Sunday

Sturgeon U. C.

Hillcrest U. C.

Ministers: All of Us
Clergy: Rev. Timothy Wisnicki BSc. MDiv.
Minister Emeritus: Rev. Sheila Mallory
Director of Music: Anne White

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Bruce Dewar
Love Edgar & Brenda Dewar

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** Congregation read the **Bold** print **

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude Piano-organ duets by Milton and Anne:
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow" C. Gabriel arr. Peery
"Ivory Palaces" Barraclough arr. Smith and Hustad

Introit (based on VU #175)
This is the house that the Lord has built!
Rejoice! Rejoice! And be exceeding glad!
This is the house that God has built!
Rejoice! Rejoice! Hallelujah!

Welcome

Lighting of the Christ Candle
Candlelighter: Rhonda Jackson

Opening Hymn VU # 600 "When I Needed a Neighbour"

Call to Worship
I was hungry and you provided rice, beans, and other nutritious food for me.
Thanks be to God!
I was thirsty and you gave me milk; you dug wells to give me clean water.
Thanks be to God!
I was an orphan and you sponsored me to provide for my needs.
Thanks be to God!
I was naked and you gave me clothes and shoes; I was homeless and you built me a house.
Thanks be to God!
I was unemployed and you gave me seeds to plant a garden, so that I could once again support my family, regain my self-respect and dignity.
Thanks be to God!
I was sick and you provided medicines, medical supplies, and care.

You helped save my life. Thanks be to God!

Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Lord of all, who said, "Let the children come to me," you have joined us together in a worldwide family. In places of hunger and poverty, you meet us in the faces of the world's last and least. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in our brothers and sisters near and far. Thank you for the opportunity to be instruments of your change, channels of your peace, and ambassadors of your love. Open our hearts to feel the needs of your children in Guatemala, and help us to celebrate the work that has been done there. Let all our houses and all our works be built on you, our Rock. And as you taught, we pray: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Solo "A New Name in Glory" C. Austin Miles

Graduate Presentations

Good News

We celebrate you, in all that you do,
We love you; God bless you.
We celebrate you.

Children's Hymn VU # 365 "Jesus Loves Me"

Children's Time

Children's Prayer

(Children may go to Sunday School.)

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination Reader: Melva O'Connor-Rafuse

Eternal God, in the reading of scripture, may your Word be heard. In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word

be known. In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.

Scripture Reading
Matthew 25:31-40

The Gloria Patri – *Music by Alan Coffin*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

Solo "Jesus is All the World to Me" Will L. Thompson

Sermon "Guatemala Mission 2026"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn MV # 1 "Let Us Build A House"

Invitation to Offering

Offering Dedication VU # 541
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known;
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Life & Work of the Church

Closing Hymn VU # 561 "Take Up Your Cross"

Benediction

Closing Blessing (based on VU #175)
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This is the house that God has built!
Rejoice! Rejoice! Hallelujah!

Postlude "Bless This House" by May H. Brahe

We extend a warm welcome to guests visiting with us today.
Please join us for coffee after church.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

Office Hours are Mon. through Thurs. 9 a.m. to noon.
Clergy Visiting - Please let the office know if anyone in hospital, long-term care or at home requires a visit. If you are requiring *Pastoral Care,* please call Timothy at the office or 905-269-7381 or minister_hillcrest@outlook.com
Church Time – will be changing again this year for July and August when we will meet at Hillcrest at 10:30 rather than 11:00.
Food Bank Sunday – last Sunday of every month. Boxes ae at the two main entry doors. Thank you for your donations.

THANK-YOU/GOOD NEWS

-thank you Melva and Corinne for your presentation this morning and all the time and efforts that made your trip to Guatemala so successful
-thank you to Garth and Milton for their special music today
-thank you to all who worked to provide our Community Lunch on Thursday – what a gift to folks in eastern PEI
-congratulations to Clara on her retirement from Stewart & Becks – wishing you well from all your Hillcrest friends
-thank you for your donations to the Food Bank
-thank you to Paul Smith for making and installing the new screen door on the church
-thanks to Sara for the flowers at the doors of the church

THIS WEEK AT HILLCREST

Tuesday
9:30 Worship Committee meeting

Wednesday
2-4 pm Bridge group – New and experienced players welcome. For more information call Sandra at 388-8844

Thursday
9:30 am Men's Meditation Group meets in the Shaffelburg Room for a time of contemplative conversation. All welcome.

Sunday
10:30 ~change of time for morning service
~music will be by Angela, Charlie and Makayla.

7 pm Friends & Family Concert at Hillcrest – featuring many singers & instrumentalists with a wide variety of music. Light lunch to follow.

UPCOMING AT HILLCREST

CLOSE TO THE GROUND CONCERT SERIES

Thursday Evenings 8 pm

$20/person

July 2 – Lester MacPherson /Emery Kenny

July 9 – Ellis Family Band

July 16 – Lawrence Maxwell & Isaac King – a Tribute to Merle Haggard

July 23 – Cynthia MacLeod with Todd MacLean & Gordon Belsher

July 30 – Brooke MacArthur with Isaac King

OTHER NEWS

Summer Sunday School plans - Please note that today is the last Sunday School class and it will be paused for July and August before resuming in September again. Youth are welcome to join their families upstairs during the summer months and a special quiet "play zone" will be available in the chapel for those younger members looking for a break from sitting through the service.

Garden of the Gulf Museum is having an open house today from 2-4 pm. Join them for fun and refreshments as they open for the 2026 season. Free Admission today.

Camp Abby

- is having an open house today from 2-4. There will be door prizes, games, face painting, food and lots of fun.
- revised list on donations needed for camp this summer is in the office
- will be having a 'former staff member' reunion on July 18 & 19. More details on their Facebook page
- is having a major fundraising campaign to upgrade facilities; washrooms and accessibility at the camp. Information on Camp Abby and all these events is available in the office.

A Toe Tapping Ceilidh today, at Lower Montague WI Hall. Featuring in the first half: Special Guest "B and Da Boys" (Brenda Pollard, George Banks, Harold Green, Kevin Jesso & Kenny MacKinnon) and in the second half: Angela Curran, Mike O'Connor and Mike Gallant. Admission by donation. 50/50. Biscuits & Jam. Note: Ceilidh will begin at 6:30 pm.

PEI Community Navigators are hosting a lovely family event in Georgetown on June 28th. The PEI Community Navigators work with newcomers and new residents to rural PEI. The event is designed for all ages and is meant to bring families out for a day of wellness and exposure to fitness, health, and fun. The event is in the A.A Memorial Gardens behind the Kings Playhouse beginning at 1:00PM-3:00PM on Sunday, June 28th. There will be free food and someone to entertain children if parents are doing one of the activities. There is also an addition rendition of this event happening in Belfast on July 18th which you're also welcome to share- that event will take place at the Pinette Provincial Park and will feature similar programming and the same time, 1:00-3:00pm.

Covenanting Service – The Mount Stewart, Morell, St. Peter's Bay Pastoral Charge invite you to a Covenanting Service between them and Rev. Samuel Afolabi and the Region to be held in the Mount Stewart United Church, PEI on Sunday, July 12th at 6:30 pm. They hope to have good representation from the Region – mark it on your calendar and plan to attend.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

Max White, graduate of Pre-K at Campus Kids Child Care Centre, grandson of Anne & David White
Joslyn (Josie) Rose March MacDonald, daughter of Allister MacDonald & Laura Brothers, graduated from Pre K at Brilliant Me Academy

Charlie Hart, grade 6 – Montague Consolidated School – daughter of Angela Palmer & granddaughter of Beryl Palmer
Zachary White, grade 6 – Sherwood Elementary – grandson of Anne & David White

Ashlyn MacDonald, Birchwood Intermediate School, grade 9 – daughter of Wendy Watts & Kyle MacDonald

Haylee MacDonald, Charlottetown Rural High School – granddaughter of John & Liz Meerburg
Charleigh Webster, Kinkora Regional High School - granddaughter of John & Liz Meerburg
Karson Webster, Kinkora Regional High School - grandson of John & Liz Meerburg
Evelyn Bulpitt, Charlottetown Rural High School – daughter of Tiffany Kemp and Steven Bulpitt, granddaughter of Clayton & Lorna Bulpitt, and great granddaughter of Pearl Gilles
Bridget Llewellyn, Montague Regional High School – granddaughter of Emily Matheson
Charlie Kerwin, French & International School - Grade 12 – granddaughter of Mary Martin
Alexandra Theoret, Woodlawn H.S., Halifax - with Honours - granddaughter of Donna & Garth Steele

Wason Bulpitt, Holland College with a Kinesiology Diploma - son of Phil & Rhonda Bulpitt and grandson of Clayton & Lorna Bulpitt
Ethan Alexander MacKinnon, Holland College, Summerside - Electromechanical Technology – son of Tracy & Robert MacKinnon, grandson of Gloria Shaw

Alena MacLean, BSC in Ecological Restoration with Distinction – BC Institute of Technology – daughter of Melissa Mullen & Rob MacLean