

Kirk News



Welcome!

We would like to welcome you to our service today. We are happy to have you and we hope that you will find our worship engaging and our community welcoming. We hope to see you again in the coming weeks.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available at the main doors.



Nursery

Our nursery volunteers are off for the summer but please feel free to make use of this area for whatever needs you have. If there is anything you require please ask an elder on duty at the front door of the Sanctuary.

Receivers and Headphones Available

We have an assisted hearing device installed and receivers and headphones are available for use during the Service. If you would like to use them, please speak to the person at the sound system.

Fellowship Time

Please join us following the morning service for fellowship time outside on the lawn, weather permitting, with Rebecca Wellner and Barbara Holt as our hosts.



Thank you

We would like to say thank you to Chad Bolton for speaking this morning.

This Week's Music

We are grateful to the quartet of musicians from the Singing Strings who are joining us this morning: Evan Zhang, violin, Miya Fanrong, violin, Kev Chan, Viola, and Wendy Evers-Forrester, cello.

200th Anniversary of the Kirk

From the time of its founding in 1825, our congregation has been a beacon of Christian worship and service in the Charlottetown community. In 2025 we will celebrate our past and look to the future with a series of activities to mark the 200th anniversary of the Kirk. Designed by David Robinson, the Kirk 200 logo shows distinctive features of the first Kirk building, as well as the Kirk we know and love today.

Pastoral Care

If any pastoral care concerns arise then please contact Rev. Amanda at 902-894-5382.



Office Hours

Amy will be away the week of June 30th and the office will be closed Tuesday, July 1st.

Pine Tree Fundraiser

We have some pine trees that have been donated to the Church that we are selling as a fundraiser for the Kirk. They range in height from about 2 feet up to 4 feet or so and cost \$20. If you are interested in any pine trees then please sign the sheet at the entrance of the sanctuary or let the church office know. Arrangements for pick-up of the trees at the church will be made. Delivery is also available.

Summer Recital Series

The Summer Recitals Series will be happening again this summer at the Kirk on Thursdays at 12:10 p.m. Admission is by donation to the Kirk's Choral Scholarship program.



July 3, Katie Gaudet, horn

July 10, Seth Cudmore Gallant, trombone, with Morgan Saulnier, piano

July 17, Nicholas Murphy, baritone

August 7, Nathan Wright, saxophone, and Jacob Reddin, trombone

August 14, Janey-Lynn Perrier, soprano, and Josie Thibodeau, trombone and euphonium



August 21, Alexandra Sorensen, soprano

August 28, Shaw Nicholson, trumpet

Ceilidh Reminder

A reminder for our cooks, preservers, makers and bakers that when making treats, pickles, jams, preserves, or crafts, to consider setting some aside for the Ceilidh on Saturday, October 25th, 2025.



Congregational Care Connection Cards

The Congregational Care Committee has added Connection cards to our pews. We have been trying to find ways to make visits easy for people to set up. Please feel free to use the cards to request a visit for yourself or someone else, fill them out and drop them in the collection plate. Rev. Amanda will be sure to set up a visit. Please never be afraid to reach out!

Kirk Sign

We just wanted to give everyone a heads up that the outside Kirk sign is going to be removed to be refurbished in the next couple of weeks.

Melbourne Scottish Fiddlers Concert

Join us on Tuesday, July 15th at 7 p.m. at the Kirk for a night of Fiddling you won't forget with the Melbourne Scottish Fiddlers all the way from Australia, and local legends The Queens County Fiddlers. This will be an unforgettable evening of lively Scottish fiddle music. Entry by donation with proceeds going to support the missions of the Kirk of St. James.



Summer Fellowship Volunteers

Thank you to those who have signed up to do summer fellowship. We just have a few dates left. If you would like to volunteer to do fellowship on July 27th, August 17th, 24th or 31st then please sign the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the Sanctuary or let the church office know. Summer fellowship entails setting out a table and a few chairs on the lawn and bringing cookies and juice.

Time Capsule

To mark the 200th Anniversary of the Kirk, the Heritage Committee is planning to place a number of Kirk-related articles in a time capsule. To that end, the committee is seeking input from the congregation. Specifically, we would appreciate it if members of the congregation would address three questions...

1. What items should be put in the capsule?
2. Where should the capsule be placed?
3. How long should the capsule remain sealed?

Any other comments are, of course, welcome. Please speak with one of the Committee members – Jim Macnutt (Chair), Simon Lloyd, Stephan Martin, Barbara McPherson, or David Ashby.

Upcoming Events

July 13th - Strawberry Social

July 14th, 7 p.m. - Melbourne Scottish Fiddlers Concert

August 3rd - Summer Communion Service

August 10th - Ice Cream Social

September 14th – Welcome Back BBQ with old-fashioned games

200th Anniversary Events

Kirk 200 Heritage Lecture Series:

September 25th - Dr. Jack Whytock, Streams of Presbyterianism (Part 1)
"WHO were these Presbyterians?"

October 2nd - Dr. Jack Whytock, Streams of Presbyterianism (Part 2)
"The Built Worship Space of Presbyterians"

Date TBA -Joan MacFarlane and Ian Scott, Significant People and Events in Kirk History

Date TBA -Rev. Amanda Henderson-Bolton, The Kirk Today

October 18th – 200th Anniversary Concert

October 19th – 200th Anniversary Worship Service

PCC Mission Moment

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, staff of the Synod of Saskatchewan provide essential support to congregations and presbyteries through a variety of programs. These include youth initiatives, Vacation Bible School, intergenerational Messy Church, seniors' ministries, and rural summer activities led by seminary students. This funding also helps support a dynamic summer program at Camp Christopher, which offers primarily inner-city children the opportunity to engage with nature and experience a week in a welcoming, inclusive Christian community. Regional staff in Saskatchewan also assist congregations in nurturing their ministries, providing resources for congregational development and helping churches cultivate a missional focus that reaches people of all ages.

