

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 our Strawberry Social, outside on the lawn, weather permitting, with the fellowship committee as our hosts.



This Week's Music

We are very thankful that Gaige is able to return to the Kirk and sing this beautiful song!

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.

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!

Summer Recital Series

We are having a Summer Recitals Series at the Kirk on Thursdays at 12:10 p.m. Admission is by donation to the Kirk's Choral Scholarship program. All are welcome.

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

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.



National Finals' Performers Fundraising Concert

The performers participating in this year's National Finals are doing a fund-raising concert at the Kirk on Saturday, July 19th, at 4. p.m. The performers at the recital are Vivian Qiao, piano; Tiantian Liu, violin; Jacob Reddin, trombone; Nathan Wright, saxophone. Frances McBurnie is pleased to be the piano collaborator. Vivian, Jacob, and Tiantian have all participated in Kirk services in the past. Three others are performing at Trinity United Church, Summerside, on Sunday, July 20th, at 2 p.m.. The costs associated with attending the National Finals are considerable, and they appreciate the support extended to them, both financial and moral.

PEI Friendly Visitor Program

Volunteer: The PEI Friendly Visitor Program matches mature (50+) adult volunteers with seniors in their community for brief weekly social visits. Only an hour of your time can make a huge difference in a senior's life. For additional information, contact Julie at 902 368 9008 or email peifvp@gmail.com. This program is administered by the PEI Senior Citizens' Federation.

Request a Friend: Being a senior is not always easy. Sometimes having a friend stop by for a chat can make all the difference in the world. Wouldn't it be nice to have a senior friend stop by once a week for a cup of coffee, play a game or just chat? This is a FREE confidential program that matches adults (50+) with individuals with common interests. If you would like to have a weekly visit from one of our friendly visitors please contact The PEI Friendly Visitor Program Coordinator at 902 368 9008 or via email peifvp@gmail.com. This program is administered by the PEI Senior Citizens' Federation.

Worship Committee Meeting

There will be a worship committee meeting following the morning service on Sunday, July 20th.

Summer Fellowship Volunteers

Thank you to those who have signed up to do summer fellowship. We just have one date left – August 17th. If you would like to volunteer to do fellowship 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.

Pine Tree Fundraiser

This will be the last week for the pine tree fundraiser. 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. The trees range in height from about 2 feet up to 4 feet or so and cost \$20. Arrangements for pick-up of the trees at the church will be made. Delivery is also available.

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.



Upcoming Events

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

After contracting polio when she was young, Akelwela Adanladi was left with physical disabilities. As subsistence farmers, her parents could not afford to send her to school. Her life changed at 30 when she was identified by the Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) program of the Presbyterian Church in Ghana. Through the CBR program, she obtained a cloth weaving apprenticeship and access to start-up capital for her business. Now a trainer, Akelwela empowers young people through skills training. “I am able to generate enough money to meet my needs and I am so grateful to the CBR program for coming to my aid. Today, I have a beautiful life.”

