

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.*

Milton Christian Church

Sunday, September 12, 2021 - Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Russell Prime

Prelude: Joy Anthony, Pianist

Reminder:

You are reminded that offerings can be placed in the offering plate on the table in the entryway. You may also pick up your bulletin and communion elements from the table in the entryway.

Welcome: Russell Prime

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.

Gathering Words: Russell Prime

The wisdom from above calls to us—calling us to peace and gentleness, kindness and mercy, goodness and service.

Announcements: Russell Prime

Call to Worship: (Responsively) Russell Prime

One: Who is wise and understanding among us?

All: **Those who seek wisdom and understanding each and every day. Those who delight in God and meditate on God's law.**

One: Come, learn more about the wisdom from above, a wisdom that yields a harvest of righteousness.

All: **O God, your wisdom is more precious than jewels! We draw near to you.**

Invocation Prayer: (Unison) Russell Prime

We draw near to you, O God, Source of all understanding, and ask you to draw near to us. Teach us your wisdom from above, that we may bear good fruit in our lives. Root us beside the streams of your wisdom, that the green leaves of our goodness, fed by your insight, may not wither. Amen.

Hymn of Praise: "More About Jesus Would I Know" # 348

Scripture: (Responsively) Psalm 1 Russell Prime

Scripture: Mark 9: 30-37

Scripture: James 3:13-4:3 Russell Prime

Message: Russell Prime

Invitation Hymn: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!" # 545

Joys, Blessings and Concerns: Russell Prime

Pastoral Prayer & Our Lord's Prayer: Russell Prime

Prayer Response: "Into My Heart" # 304

*Into my heart, into my heart,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
Come in today, Come in to stay,
Come into my heart, Lord Jesus.*

Stewardship Thought: Russell Prime

Scripture teaches us that God's Wisdom is present and active in our lives in this way: "She opens her hand to the poor, / and reaches out her hands to the needy." Jesus lived this wisdom in his life, and called his disciples to this same generosity. Let us give out of this same generous wisdom—a wisdom that seeks a presence and purpose in our lives on behalf of all.

Offering: Offerings may be placed in the plate on the back table.

Doxology: (Tune: # 46)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host! Creator, Christ & Holy Ghost. Amen*

Prayer of Dedication: (Unison)

Russell Prime

You are the generous one, full of mercy and goodness for your creation. Send your wisdom with these gifts, that they may reach those who need your love and welcome. Bring about a harvest of goodness through these gifts sown in peace. Amen.

Call to the Lord's Table:

Russell Prime

Communion Hymn:

"For the Bread, Which You Have Broken" # 411

Words of Institution:

Russell Prime

Prayers and Participation:

Elder

(We will partake in communion together.)

Communion Closing Prayer:

Russell Prime

Closing Hymn:

"Pass It On" # 477

Benediction: (Responsively)

Russell Prime

One: We are planted by the streams of God's wisdom.

All: We meditate on the desires of God, taking delight in the laws of God.

One: Sink your roots deep into the soil, and draw on God's wisdom.

All: For God will nourish us every day with insight.

One: Go forth, knowing that God watches over you.

Prayer Response: (Responsively)

Russell Prime

One: The Peace of Christ be with you, Sisters and Brothers.

All: "And also with you!"

Threefold Amen:

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Passing the Peace of Christ:

The Congregation

Postlude:

Joy Anthony, Pianist

CONTACT INFO FOR PASTOR: If you would like to speak with Russell Prime, please call 902-354-4950 or 1-902-401-1202 and leave a message or a Text message and he will return your call. His office hours are Wednesdays from 12 - 2 p.m. at 280-284 Highway 8 in Milton. His days off are Monday and Tuesdays of each week.

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, September 19, 2021*



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FOOD BANK: The Food Bank appreciates our donations of non perishable items and monetary funds. **Our Food Bank goal for September is 12 jars of peanut butter** and as of Friday we only have 5 jars. Come on folks, lets meet the goal for the month. Thanks for your continued support.

MILTON PRAYERS: Please keep these friends & family in prayer during the week. If you notice that someone is missing from this list, please call the church office at 902-354-4954 and leave a message and they will be added.

Queens Manor: Jean Mansfield
Stonehaven Lodge: Betty Dean
Hospital: Ron Anthony
At Home: Eddy Fisher Marilyn Huskins Chris Mansfield
Condolences: To Patti Fraser on the passing of her husband, George

CHURCHES IN PRAYER: We remember **our local congregations and pastors** each week. Today we pray for the ministerial leadership and congregations of Zion United Church, Liverpool and Caledonia United Church.

We remember **our Canadian Disciples' congregations and pastors** across Canada each week. Today we pray for Rev. Danah Cox and the congregation of Brush with the Spirit Christian Church in Calgary, Alberta.

OUR DAILY BREAD: We have large print copies of "Our Daily Bread" for October/November/December and we have regular print copies for September/October/November. Don't forget to pick up your copy from the table in the entryway.

SUMMERVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH AUCTION: Summerville will hold an Auction in their church vestry on October 2 at 7:00 p.m.

RESERVE THE DATE: The Milton Christian Church will celebrate their 187th Anniversary on November 7 at 11 a.m.

MEMORIALS: The following Memorials donations were received -
 In Memory of Brian Manthorne - from Allan & Lena Oickle
 In Memory of Brian Manthorne - from Eric & Vonna Walker

THANK YOU CARD: A Thank You card was received from Ron and Rose Anthony and is posted on the Bulletin Board.

THANK YOU EMAIL: A Thank You email was received from Debbie Wamboldt, chair of the fund-raising committee for the Queens County Universal Inclusive Play Park. The email thanked us for the donation of \$2000 that was given from the Simon Merry Outreach Fund in memory of Barbara Foley. Debbie Wamboldt's email is posted on the Bulletin Board.

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS		
Today	11:00 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Youth Group
Wednesday	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	3:00 p.m.	Elders Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle at the church
Thursday	2:30 p.m.	Queens Manor Devotional Service at the Manor
Friday	12:00 p.m.	Meet & Chat Group
Saturday	1:00 p.m.	Virtual Annual General Meeting of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada
September 26	11:00 a.m.	18 th Sunday after Pentecost
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Youth Group
September 29	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle at the church
September 30		Truth and Reconciliation Holiday
October 2	7:00 p.m.	Summerville Christian Church Auction
October 3	11:00 a.m.	19 th Sunday after Pentecost
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Youth Group
October 5	2:00 p.m.	Disciples Women
	Noon	Deadline for Board Agenda Items for the Oct 13 Meeting to be given to Vonna
October 6	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle at the church
October 8	12:00 p.m.	Meet & Chat Group
October 10	11:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Sunday/20 th Sunday after Pentecost
	6:30 p.m.	Senior Youth Group
October 13	10:30 a.m.	Crafty Critters
	2:00 p.m.	Board Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Healing Circle at the church
October 14	6:00 p.m.	Junior Youth Group
October 15	12:00 p.m.	Meet & Chat Group