

Congregational Luncheon: Join us on **Sunday, October 25** following the morning service, for a **Congregational Lunch**. Enjoy **hotdogs, chips & salads!** Donations will support the **Benevolent Committee**.

FREE Pumpkin Painting Party – All Ages Welcome! Join us on **Tuesday, October 27, from 6:00–7:30 pm** for a fun-filled evening of pumpkin painting! Everyone is welcome! **Registration is required** ambapt@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Schedule for Sunday, October 18—Monday, October 26

Sun., 18 10:30 am Worship Service

Congregational Meeting: Christie Fund Recommendations

12:00 pm Snacks & Conversations

Mon., 19 10:00 am Tantramar Seniors College

1:00 pm Line Dancing

Tue., 20 9:00 am Tantramar Seniors College

6:00 pm Kingdom Kids

Wed., 21 10:15 am Gables Lodge Service

11:00 am Centennial Villa Service

Thur., 22 1:30 pm Tantramar Seniors College

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Sat., 24 1:00 pm Bridal Shower (Christie Room)
(Private Event)

Sun., 25 10:30 am Worship Service:
Rev. Byron Corkum

12:00 pm Congregational Luncheon

Mon., 26 10:00 am Tantramar Seniors College

1:00 pm Line Dancing



(Roman Coin of Caesar Augustus, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt University Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.)

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH AMHERST

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WORSHIP
October 18, 2026 10:30 am

Welcome to our worship and fellowship.
If you are visiting, please sign our guest book,
and we will pray for you.

*** *Stand, as you are able.***

Senior Minister: Rev. Jeff G. White
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Minister Emeritus: Rev. Byron Corkum

Organist & Choir Director: Kevin Dupuis

Church Custodian: Shauna McCallum

Administrative Assistant: Angela Marks

Kingdom Kids Program Leader: Mackinley Mace

PRELUDE
*WELCOME
*INTROIT

Kevin Dupuis
Jeff White

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.**

Hallelu, hallelujah.

**Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.**

Hallelu, hallelujah.

(Karen Lafferty © 1972 Maranatha Music)

*CALL to Worship (Psalm 99:1-5 Msg) leader & people
God rules. On your toes, everybody!

He rules from his angel throne—take notice!

God looms majestic in Zion,

He towers in splendor over all the big names.

Great and terrible your beauty: **let everyone praise you!**
Holy.

Yes, holy.

Strong King, lover of justice,

You laid things out fair and square;

You set down the foundations in Jacob,

Foundation stones of just and right ways.

Honor God, our God;

worship his rule!

Holy.

Yes, holy.

*HYMN of the Month “When in Our Music vs. 1-5
God Is Glorified”

**1. When in our music God is glorified,
and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried
Hallelujah!**

Rev. Jeff White will be away October 25-30 to attend the CABF
‘Cross Canada Conference’ in Saskatoon, SK.

There will be a **Congregational Meeting** this morning, **October 18**, to review/approve the recommendations from the **Christie Fund Committee**.

Baptist Information Session: Who are ‘our kind of Baptists?’

Enjoy a **snack and a conversation with Jeff White** about how we are connected with other Baptists.

- **Who** does First Baptist affiliate with?
- **Why** do we cooperate with some and not others?
- **Who** recognizes Jeff as an accredited Minister?
- And **what** is changing at this moment?

Gather today after the service, in the Parlour, and enjoy some refreshments. To get our thinking started: **A BAPTIST QUIZ**

1. What are United Baptists?
 - a. Two kinds of Baptists that united
 - b. Baptists and United Church that joined
 - c. United Church that baptizes by immersion
 - d. Any Baptists that haven't had a big fight
2. What group does not tend to teach the Bible literally?
 - a. The Fellowship Baptists
 - b. The Independent Baptists
 - c. The Canadian Association for Baptist Freedoms
 - d. The Southern Baptists
3. What (former) member of First Baptist Amherst was never President of (C)ABF?
 - a. Ed Colquhoun
 - b. Jeff White
 - c. Dan Green
 - d. Jack Matthews
 - e. Byron Corkum
 - f. Reg Dunn
 - g. John Boyd

**3. Treasure too You have entrusted.
Gain through powers Your grace conferred;
Ours to use for home and kindred,
And to spread the gospel Word.
Open wide our hands, in sharing,
As we heed Christ's ageless call,
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming
Serving You by loving all.**

(Robert L. Edwards, 1961; *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; Harm. James H. Wood, 1958)

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL Benediction**

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.**

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BUSINESS Meeting: Christie Fund Recommendations

***POSTLUDE**

Kevin Dupuis

[You may remain seated for the musical postlude]

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Third Quarter 2026 distribution from the Christie Fund
Available amount : \$45,483.02

Following the October 11 meeting of the Special Funds Committee, these recommendations are presented for congregational approval:

1. That **\$900** be granted to the Board of Deacons to fund a Rachel MacLean Christmas concert - all proceeds of the concert to be forwarded to the Amherst Food Bank.
2. That the remaining **\$44,583.02** be deposited to the church operating account.

**2. How often, making music, we have found
a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**3. So has the church in liturgy and song,
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,
borne witness to the truth in every tongue,
Hallelujah!**

**4. And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
When utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:
Hallelujah!**

**5. Let every instrument be tuned for praise!
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always
Hallelujah!**

(Fred Pratt Green 1971)

PRAYER of Invocation & the Lord's Prayer (629) in unison

**You know each of us by name, O God,
and in your sight we have found favour,
yet our minds cannot comprehend the vision
of your glory or the vastness of your love.
Grant that as we glimpse your greatness,
reflected in your many gifts,
we may always return to you
the praise that is yours alone.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Our Father, who art in heaven...**

Growing Forward Prayer: S W O T

Let's take time to consider these things in prayer with God.

Inside the FBC Congregation (Who are we?)	STRENGTHS	WEAKNESSES
Outside the FBC Congregation (Who are our neighbours?)	OPPORTUNITIES	THREATS

SONG

"This Little Light of Mine"

**1. This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine. [x3]
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**2. Everywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine. [x3]
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**3. Jesus gave it to me;
I'm gonna let it shine. [x3]
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

STORY TIME

(Children's activity sheets are available in the Foyer.
There are also Classrooms upstairs.)

Jeff White

SONG

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**
(John W. Thompson & Randy Scruggs © 1982)

First LESSON

Exodus 33:12-23

Liz Hickey

CHOIR

"Brother James' Air"

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

Ed Colquhoun

SERMON

"A Penny for Your Thoughts"

Jeff White

SILENT Meditation

Tax PRAYER (of Confession) (by Anna Gobledale)

PRAYERS for All

OFFERING

***RESPONSE Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God whom we adore.**
(Old Hundredth)

CELEBRATION of Ministry

***HYMN "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" vs. 1-3**

**1. God whose giving knows no ending,
From Your rich and endless store,
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,
Costly cross, grave's shattered door:
Gifted by You, we turn to You,
Offering up ourselves in praise;
Thankful song shall rise forever,
Gracious donor of our days.**

**2. Skills and time are ours for pressing
Toward the goals of Christ, Your Son:
All at peace in health and freedom,
Races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labour,
Lest we strive for self alone:
Born with talents, make us servants
Fit to answer at Your throne.**