

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ candle

Call to Worship

L: Thinking we have all the answers, yet wondering if we haven't missed something:

P: We come, hoping to hear a word we can trust.

L: We gather as God's people – standing with those of deep, abiding faith, seated with those who stumble through the Kingdom:

P: We are all welcome in this place, and we all come to praise and worship God, the One who speaks to our hearts with words of love and peace.

Opening Hymn #73: Praise to the Lord

Prayers of Approach, Confession and The Lord's Prayer

Words of Assurance

L: If you, O Lord, kept a record of all our wrongs, who among us could stand before you? No one.

P: But with you, O God, there is forgiveness, therefore you are honoured and we are thankful

Music Ministry

Hymn #420: Praise, I will praise you Lord

Family Focus/Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Responsive Psalm 33:1-9

L: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright.

P: Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.

L: Sing to him a new song; play skilfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

P: For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.

L: He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

P: By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of his mouth.

L: He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle; he put the deeps in storehouses.

P: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

L: For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:21-28 (NRSV)

²¹ They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. ²² They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. ²³ Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, ²⁴ and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' ²⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' ²⁶ And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷ They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He[Ⓜ] commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' ²⁸ At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Message: The Power of Words

Hymn #768: Sometimes a healing word is comfort

Mission Moment

Doxology #79: Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Hymn #636: When voices are confusing

Benediction

Benediction song: Go now in peace

Welcome To Lucknow Presbyterian Church ***January 28, 2024***



Worship Leader: Rev. Kathy Fraser

Announcements

- Welcome to all who are worshipping with us. Thanks to Rev. Kathy for leading the service this morning.
- Please email reports for Annual report to Luke before Sunday Feb 4 at: vashtar@hurontel.on.ca
- Annual Meeting is Sun. Feb 25 after church
- Everyone is invited to stay for Soup & Sandwich after church today – Free will offering going to the WMS “Together We Can” projects in Kenora & Montreal

Upcoming Services:

- Feb. 4, 11: Rev. Kathy Fraser
- Feb. 18 at 10 am: combined service at LPC followed by a walk for the Coldest Night of the Year and lunch to follow