

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

L: In the presence of Creator, we gather this day in a spirit of gratitude:

P: Gratitude for all the gifts of Creation—the air, the water, the land, the change of seasons as we move into summer:

L: Gratitude for all the creatures that walk, swim, fly, and crawl on this earth.

P: We gather seeking wisdom to help us live a generous and compassionate life.

L: We gather seeking wisdom to help us live together with respect and humility.

P: We gather seeking hearts and minds that are open to new possibilities and new beginnings.

Opening Hymn #723 – Lord, in this broken world

Prayers of Approach, Confession and The Lord's Prayer Assurance of Pardon

L: Here, face to face, God meets us. Here, face to face, we can speak every longing in our heart. Here, face to face, God speaks, that we might hear.

P: Here, face to face, we meet the One who has compassion for us and speaks words of forgiveness. Thanks be to God.

Music Ministry

Family Focus/Children's Time

Hymn # 717 – We cannot own the sunlit sky

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 8:16-17 (NRSV)

¹⁶These are the things that you shall do: Speak the truth to one another, render in your gates judgements that are true and make for peace, ¹⁷do not devise evil in your hearts against one another, and love no false oath; for all these are things that I hate, says the LORD.

Micah 6:8

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Matthew 22:34-40

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'" ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Justice (from Living Faith)

L: God is always calling the church to seek that justice in the world which reflects the divine righteousness revealed in the Bible.

P: God's justice is seen when we deal fairly with each other and strive to change customs and practices that oppress and enslave others.

L: Justice involves protecting the rights of others. It protests against everything that destroys human dignity.

P: Justice requires concern for the poor of the world.

It seeks the best way to create well-being in every society.

It is concerned about employment, education, and health, as well as rights and responsibilities.

L: Justice seeks fairness in society. It involves the protection of human beings, concern for the victims of crime, as well as offenders. It requires fair laws justly administered, courts and penal institutions that are just and humane.

P: Justice opposes prejudice in every form. It rejects discrimination on such grounds as race, sex, age, status, or handicap. Justice stands with our neighbours in their struggle for dignity and respect and demands the exercise of power for the common good.

Message: An Apology

Hymn: Deep in Our Hearts

Mission Moment, Doxology #79 and Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #716 – Pray for the wilderness

Benediction

Benediction song: Go Now In Peace

Announcements

- Magic of Play: Monday June 17 from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at Lucknow Presbyterian – see poster. Register with Margaret, Anne or Dayle.
- Youth Group - lawn bowling lesson on Thursday, June 27th from 5-6 p.m. at the Lawn Bowling Greens in Lucknow.



Lucknow Presbyterian

June 16, 2024

Worship Leader: Rev. Kathy Fraser

Announcements

- Welcome to all who are worshipping with us. Thanks to Rev. Kathy for leading the service.
- Tuesday June 18 - Presbytery Meeting to approve Rev. Robert Royal at 7:30pm in Sauble Beach. All welcome.
- Financial assistance for children & youth (5-17) to attend Camp Kintail available to the families (members and adherents) of the Lucknow Presbyterian Church. Please contact Mae Raynard, bnraynard@hurontel.on.ca by June 15, 2024.

Upcoming Services:

- June 23 (11:00am) and June 30 (10 am at South Kinloss): service led by Rev. Kathy Fraser
- July 7 at 10:30am: Service at Camp Kintail
- July 14 – no morning service – Induction of Rev. Robert Royal at 7:00pm at South Kinloss