

Welcome and Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge with gratitude and respect that we are gathering on the traditional territory of the Saugeen First Nation. Treaty forty-five and a half of 1836 covers this area.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Responsive Call to Worship

One: This is the day the Lord has made!

All: We will rejoice, and be glad in it!

One: The Lord is our strength and our song; he has become our victory!

All: You are our God, and we will praise you; You are our God, and we will exalt you.

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!

All: His faithful loves endures forever.

Opening Hymn #78: This is the day

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Hear us now as we pray together:

God of all life and each life;

**You created us to enjoy Your presence,
yet we confess it is easy to lose track of that joy.**

When times are tough, we feel resentful.

When someone else succeeds, jealousy creeps in.

Some days bad news is all we hear.

**Draw us back to Your goodness and grace
that we might remember to rejoice in Your presence
and in the presence of one another.**

In Jesus holy name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Music Ministry

Family Focus/Children's Time

Hymn #773: Jesus Bids us Shine

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Responsive Reading: Psalm 32 (The Message)

L: Count yourself lucky, how happy you must be— you get a fresh start, your slate's wiped clean.

P: Count yourself lucky— GOD holds nothing against you and you're holding nothing back from him.

L: When I kept it all inside, my bones turned to powder, my words became daylong groans.

P: The pressure never let up; all the juices of my life dried up.

L: Then I let it all out; I said, "I'll come clean about my failures to GOD." Suddenly the pressure was gone— my guilt dissolved, my sin disappeared.

P: These things add up. Every one of us needs to pray; when all hell breaks loose and the dam bursts we'll be on high ground, untouched.

L: GOD's my island hideaway, keeps danger far from the shore, throws garlands of hosannas around my neck.

P: Let me give you some good advice; I'm looking you in the eye and giving it to you straight:

L: "Don't be ornery like a horse or mule that needs bit and bridle to stay on track."

P: God-defiers are always in trouble; GOD-affirmers find themselves loved every time they turn around.

ALL: Celebrate GOD. Sing together—everyone! All you honest hearts, raise the roof!

Genesis 17: 1-8

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ² And I will make my covenant between me and you and will make you exceedingly numerous.' ³ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴ 'As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵ No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of

nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ⁸ And I will give to you, and to your offspring after you, the land where you are now an alien, all the land of Canaan, for a perpetual holding; and I will be their God.'

Matthew 18: 10-14

'Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven. ¹² What do you think? If a shepherd has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of your Father in heaven that one of these little ones should be lost.

Message – One Soul at a Time

Hymn #347: There were Ninety & Nine (with an extra verse) – see insert

Mission Moment

Doxology #79: Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (debt/debtors)

Hymn #461: Be thou my vision

Benediction

Benediction Song: Go Now In Peace

Welcome To Lucknow Presbyterian Church

June 2, 2024



Worship Leader: Rev. Robert Royal

Announcements

- Welcome to all who are worshiping with us.
- Please remain upstairs following the service for the congregational meeting.
- Pinecrest service at 2:00pm TODAY
- Messy Church Camp Day at Camp Kintail on Saturday June 8 from 10-4. Registration is full!
- 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 9 at 10 am:** South Kinloss anniversary service led by Rev. James Clark from Knox Presbyterian Church in Listowel. Everyone welcome!
- June 16, 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

Hymn: There were Ninety and Nine

1. There were ninety and nine that safely lay
In the shelter of the fold;
But one was out on the hills away,
Far off from the gates of gold.
Away on the mountains wild and bare;
Away from the tender Shepherd's care.
Away from the tender Shepherd's care.
2. "Lord, Thou hast here Thy ninety and nine;
Are they not enough for Thee?"
But the Shepherd made answer: "This of Mine
Has wandered away from Me.
And although the road be rough and steep,
I go to the desert to find My sheep
I go to the desert to find My sheep."
3. But none of the ransomed ever knew
How deep were the waters crossed;
Nor how dark was the night that the Lord passed through
Ere He found His sheep that was lost.
Far out in the desert He heard its cry;
'Twas sick and helpless and ready to die.
'Twas sick and helpless and ready to die.
4. "Lord, whence are those blood-drops all the way,
That mark out the mountain's track?"
"They were shed for one who had gone astray
Ere the Shepherd could bring him back."
"Lord, whence are Thy hands so rent and torn?"
"They're pierced tonight by many a thorn."
"They're pierced tonight by many a thorn."
5. And all through the mountains, thunder-riv'n,
And up from the rocky steep,
There arose a glad cry to the gate of heav'n,
"Rejoice! I have found My sheep!"
And the angels echoed around the throne,
"Rejoice, for the Lord brings back His own!"
"Rejoice, for the Lord brings back His own!"

Biography for Rev. Robert Royal

Robert was born and raised in Goderich, Ontario; the son of Audrey and Rev. Lockie Royal. He worked in HVAC/Plumbing with Suncor in Fort McMurray, Alberta, then continued with Union Gas, Consumers/Enbridge, and Carrier Canada in Ontario. Robert earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Guelph and a Master of Divinity Degree at Knox College, University of Toronto. He was ordained as a Presbyterian Church in Canada Ruling Elder in the 1990's and called to the ministry in 2003. In 2007 Robert was ordained as a PCC Minister of Word and Sacrament. He served at St. Andrew's PC in Maple, Ontario for 12 years and St. Andrew's PC in Newmarket, Ontario for four years. Robert has a Missional Church focus, emphasizing preaching, outreach, and pastoral care. He has two adult children. Anne is a Marketing Manager for Economic Development in Winnipeg. Greg is a Welder at Scheller Metal Fabricators Ltd., also in Winnipeg. Robert enjoys his two minischnauzers; Dixie and Dash; as well as music and the great outdoors. He has a zest for life and is looking forward to worshipping with you here at the Lucknow and South Kinloss Presbyterian Churches.