

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

We are called together

To worship God as the people of God.

God calls us by name and knows what rests in our minds and our hearts, and calls us:

To worship God as the people of God.

We come yearning to be transformed and redirected to paths of justice and in ways of love so that in truth we can turn to God:

To worship God as the people of God.

God invites us to worship as beloved and loving people and together:

To worship God as the people of God.

Opening Hymn #381 Holy Spirit, hear us

Prayers of Approach, Confession and The Lord's Prayer

And so, to begin again with you and one another, we confess our sins:

We confess that we have

failed to comfort those in pain,

ignored the needs of others,

and not sought peace or worked for justice.

And we confess the sins of your church

in running residential schools

that separated children from their families.

We confess that in our cultural arrogance

where there was laughter, we stifled it;

where families lived warmly together, we broke them up,

and where there was dignity, we stole it.

We repent of our past sins and pray for the strength

to walk a new good way with you and one another.

Hear us now as we pray the prayer Jesus taught;

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Music Ministry

Hymn # 399 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness

Family Focus/Children's Time

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Psalm 124

If the Lord had not been on our side— let Israel say—

if the Lord had not been on our side when people attacked us,

they would have swallowed us alive when their anger flared against us;

the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us,

the raging waters would have swept us away.

Praise be to the Lord, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird from the fowler's snare;

the snare has been broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

James 5:13-20 The Prayer of Faith

Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray.

Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.

Is anyone among you sick? Let them call

the elders of the church to pray over them

and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.

And the prayer offered in faith will make

the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up.

If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.
Therefore confess your sins to each other
and pray for each other so that you may be healed.
The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.
Elijah was a human being, even as we are.
He prayed earnestly that it would not rain,
and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years.
Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain,
and the earth produced its crops.
My brothers and sisters, if one of you
should wander from the truth and someone
should bring that person back, remember this:
Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way
will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Message: Occasion for God's gifts

Hymn#445: Open our eyes, Lord

Mission Moment, Doxology #79 and Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #774 God forgave my sin / Freely, freely

Benediction

Benediction song: Go Now In Peace



Lucknow Presbyterian

Sept 28, 2024

Worship Leader: Rev. Robert Royal

Announcements

- Welcome to all who are worshipping with us.
- **September 30:** National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – Orange Shirt Day
- **Wed. Oct 2 at 7:15pm:** Session Meeting
- **Thurs Oct 3, 10, 17, 24 at 7:00pm:** Choir practice for Carolfest – all welcome
- **Sat. Oct 5 from 10-2** in Dollar Haven parking lot: Stuff the Bus – donations to North Huron Food Share
- **Wed. October 9** WMS Fall Rally at Lucknow Presbyterian Church – registration at 10:15 am.
- **Wed. Dec. 4 at 7:15pm:** Carolfest at Lucknow United Church

Upcoming Services:

- **October 6 (11:00am):** Outdoor Worship Service with Pet Blessing honouring St. Francis of Assisi; Patron Saint of Animals and the Environment. All animals must be leashed or restrained for safety reasons. Please dress for weather, tents will be up.
- **October 20:** Communion