



Welcome to Our Church

Lucknow Presbyterian

October 6, 2024

Worship Leader: Rev. Robert Royal

Announcements

- Welcome to all who are worshipping with us.
- All loose offering from today's service will go to Lucknow Pet Rescue
- Please remain for refreshments after the service
- **Family Faith** continues at 9:30am every Sunday morning
- **Today at 2:00 pm:** Pinecrest service – all welcome
- **Wed. October 9** WMS Fall Rally at Lucknow Presbyterian Church – registration at 10:15 am.
- **Thurs Oct 10, 17, 24 at 7:00pm:** Choir practice for Carolfest – all welcome
- **Sunday Dec 1 at 1:00pm:** Lunch at Camp Kintail \$30 per adult, all welcome (Lucknow & South Kinloss Church family & friends)
- **Wed. Dec. 4 at 7:15pm:** Carolfest at Lucknow United Church

Upcoming Services:

- **October 20:** Communion

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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.

Call to Worship

‘God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.”

So, God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind, cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.”

And it was so. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind”. And God blessed them. **God saw everything that God had made, and indeed, it was very good.’**

Let us worship our Creator God together.

Opening Hymn # 435 All things bright and beautiful

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
in love God made them all.

1. Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours;
God made their tiny wings. (Refrain)

2. The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them, every one. (Refrain)

3. The rocky mountain splendour,
the haunting curlew's call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forests in the fall, (Refrain)

4. God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God almighty
who has made all things well. (Refrain)

Unison Prayer attributed to St. Francis, and Lord's Prayer:

Present Lord; make us instruments of your peace.

**Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury,
pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt,
faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness,
light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so
much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to
understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we
receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are reborn to eternal life,
through the words Jesus taught us,**

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

Hymn # 307 God of the sparrow. God of the whale

1. God of the sparrow

God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say Awe

How does the creature say Praise

2. God of the earthquake

God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast

How does the creature cry Woe

How does the creature cry Save

3. God of the rainbow

God of the cross

God of the empty grave

How does the creature say Grace

How does the creature say Thanks

4. God of the hungry

God of the sick

God of the prodigal

How does the creature say Care

How does the creature say Life

5. God of the neighbour

God of the foe

God of the pruning hook

How does the creature say Love

How does the creature say Peace

6. God of the ages

God near at hand

God of the loving heart

How do your children say Joy

How do your children say Home

Responsive Prayer for the Earth

God of blessings; the universe sings of your glory.

Deepen our gratitude for all you have made and awaken in us a renewed commitment to care for the earth and each other.

God of justice; we pray for an end to waste and the desecration of Your creation.

You created the world and gave it into our care as stewards of Your creation.

Inspire us to use the riches of Your creation with wisdom, and to ensure that their blessings are shared by all.

We trust that in Your bounty, all people and animals will be assured of our freedom from oppressive regimes.

And all God's people say,

AMEN.

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Psalm 147

Praise the Lord.

How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

The Lord heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.

The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with grateful praise; make music to our God on the harp.

He covers the sky with clouds; he supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills.

He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call.

He grants peace to your borders and satisfies you with the finest of wheat.

He sends his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly.
He spreads the snow like wool and scatters the frost like ashes.
He sends his word, he stirs up his breezes, and the waters flow.
Praise the Lord.

Job 12:7-10

"But ask the animals and they will teach you or the birds in the sky and they will tell you; or speak to the earth and it will teach you or let the fish in the sea inform you. Which of all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this? In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind."

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Message: Lessons from Nature

Hymn #434 For the beauty of the earth

1. For the beauty of the earth,
for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

2. For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

3. For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

4. For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

5. For each perfect gift of thine,
to the earth so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our sacrifice of praise.

Mission Moment

Offering – cash donations to Lucknow Pet Rescue

Doxology #79

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Responsive Prayer of Dedication:

Creator of all; the earth is Yours, the world and all who live in it.

You have entrusted us with gifts of time, talent, energy, and money,

and asked us to use them to build Your kingdom.

With thanks and praise we respond to Your call.

We bring these gifts You have given, returning Your generosity,
paying it forward.

**We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears, our dollars
and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for Your world, to
love and serve wherever You call.**

We ask Your blessing on us, Your people, as we seek to follow You
with heart, mind, and soul.

Bless also these gifts, our investment in Your future, that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love.

And all God's people say,

AMEN.

Closing Hymn #410 Joyful, joyful we adore you

1. Joyful, joyful we adore you,

God of glory, Lord of love.

Hearts unfold like flowers before you,

opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;

drive the dark of doubt away;

giver of immortal gladness,

fill us with the light of day.

2. All your works with joy surround you;

earth and heaven reflect your rays;

stars and angels sing around you,

centre of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,

flowery meadow, flashing sea,

chanting bird and flowing fountain,

join to praise you joyfully.

3. You are giving and forgiving,

ever blessing, ever blessed,

wellspring of the joy of living,

ocean depth of happy rest.

God Creator, Christ our Saviour,

all are yours who live in love.

Teach us how to love our neighbour; lift

us to your joy above.

4. Morning stars, awake the chorus;
mortals, join with every part,
for what joy is set before us
as Christ's love joins heart to heart!
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Blessing of the Pets

Benediction

Sending Song: Go now in peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
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.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Musical Postlude

Please Remain for Individual Pet Blessings

Refreshments after the service