

## Worship Planner for Sunday, March 1, 2026 – South Kinloss and Lucknow

### Musical Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements and Land Acknowledgement- elder

#### 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.

### [Lucknow- Lighting Christ Candle- elder]

### Responsive Call to Worship – PWS&D Lenten Liturgy

God's covenant continued through Abram and Sarai. God promised that things would change.

**Even Abram and Sarai's names changed  
as a sign of God's constant presence with them.**

The promise that God made is our promise too:

When we journey with God, God will make us fruitful and the people of faith will increase.

**May we embrace the changes that leave power, might and pride behind.**

May the God of the covenant love us so much that we cannot stay the same.

**May Christ, who called people to give up everything and follow him,  
also compel us to follow him.**

May the Holy Spirit of comfort assure us that in every change, God is faithful.

**May we hear the call of the God of covenant and change.**

### Opening Hymn # 194 'Come, let us to the Lord our God' (verses 1-4)

### Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer

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

### Family Focus

### Hymn #400 'Spirit of the living God'

## Prayer for Illumination

### Scriptures

#### Genesis 12: 1-4a The Call of Abram

The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

So, Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

#### Responsive Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the mountains—  
where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the Lord,  
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip—  
he who watches over you will not slumber;

**indeed, he who watches over Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord watches over you—  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

**the sun will not harm you by day,  
nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all harm—  
he will watch over your life;

**the Lord will watch over your coming and going  
both now and forevermore.**

#### John 3:1-17 Jesus Teaches Nicodemus

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him." Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!" Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one

has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.” For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Sermon: ‘Conversations by Night’

Hymn #673 ‘In the bulb there is a flower’

Invitation to the Offering

Doxology #661

We give thee but thine own,  
whate’er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Prayer of Dedication

Mission Moment- congregant

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #696 ‘In suffering love’

Benediction

Benediction Song

Musical Postlude