

South Kinloss Presbyterian Church
First Sunday of Advent – Dec. 1, 2024

- + Welcome and Announcements
- + Advent Liturgy – HOPE
- + Hymn #119 Hope is a star (verse 1)
- + Hymn #110 Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- + Prayer of Adoration and Confession
*Merciful God, in your gracious presence
we confess our sins and the sins of this world.*
**Surprising God; forgive our sleepiness
in the presence of your splendour,
and for when we abandon hope,
and expect and look for the same old thing in the same old way.
Forgive us our silence when we ought to have spoken up,
and our carelessness with your world and each other.
Awaken us to your holy, hopeful presence
so we may watch and wait for you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Hear us still as we continue in 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
- + Hymn #122 Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel (verses 1-4)
- + Family Focus
- + Prayer for Illumination

+ Scripture Readings

Responsive Psalm 25:1–10

In you, Lord my God, I put my trust.

I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Saviour, and my hope is in you all day long.

Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, Lord, are good.

Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

All the ways of the Lord are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. You will be faithful to Jacob, and show love to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our ancestors in days long ago.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

- + Sermon: Love, power, and faithfulness
- + Hymn #368 Let Christian faith and hope dispel (verses 1, 3, 4, & 6).
- + Apostle's Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

+ Invitation to the Lord's Table

+ The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... Therefore with apostles and prophets, and that great cloud of witnesses who live for you beyond all time and space, we lift our hearts in joyful praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

... Therefore, in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we take this bread and this cup and give you praise and thanksgiving as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, In the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour are yours, almighty God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

+ The Breaking of Bread

+ The Communion

+ Mission Moment

+ Invitation to the Offering

+ Doxology #79

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

+ Prayer of Dedication

+ Prayers of the People

+ Closing Hymn #290 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

+ Benediction and Benediction Song

Announcements

1. Welcome to everyone worshiping here today on this 1st Advent Sunday.
2. Please remain for refreshments following the service.
3. Today, the Sunday school is collecting 'loose change' for SCAW Bed Kits. Thank you for your contributions.
4. Today at 1:00pm is the Camp Kintail Christmas Dinner for South Kinloss and Lucknow.
5. This Wednesday, December 4th at 7:15pm is CAROLFEST at Lucknow United Church.
6. Sunday December 15 at 9:30am. SK Sunday School Christmas Concert
7. Tuesday December 24 at 7:00pm. Christmas Eve Joint Service at South Kinloss PC
8. Sunday, December 29 at 10:00am. Final 2024 Sunday Joint Service at Lucknow PC
9. In the spring of 2025, we are planning the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for infants and adults. If you, or someone you know, would like to be baptized, please speak with Rev. Robert.
10. If you would like to become a Member of South Kinloss Presbyterian Church, there are different ways to make this happen. These include attending Communicant's classes with Profession of Faith, Membership Transfer, and Act of Session. Please speak with an elder and/or Rev. Robert for more details.