

South Kinloss Presbyterian Church
Mission Awareness Sunday - 2025 NEPAL

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

God welcomes us here!

And we welcome others!

God knows and loves us!

And we know and love others!

God seeks the lost and the outcast!

And we seek the lost and outcast!

In this place, we will praise God for God's care of us!

In this place, we will worship.

Opening Hymn #348 Tell me the stories of Jesu

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

O God; You search us and know us, You know us inside and out, You hem us in, behind and before, And we praise You for Your care. O God; You made the whole world, You created the birds and the fish, You imagined the animals and the growing plants, And we praise You for Your care. O God; You came as a baby in a manger, You healed and blessed, ate and cried, You died, descended, and then rose again, And we praise You for Your care. O God; You came in flame and wind, You advocate and encourage, You speak and whisper and shout, And we praise You for Your care. O God; We give thanks and praise For Your care for the world and for us. *We give thanks for Your spark Both within and around us.*

O God; We acknowledge that we often forget these good gifts. We do not follow Jesus; we try our own way. We fail to see Your spark in others. We turn away from Your people. We fail to love and be loved. O God; Help us to turn towards You and Your people again. Help us to

receive and share love. Help us to see Your grace at work in the world. May we learn to praise You for Your care all the time. We pray this is in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying,

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 Grace

We are known and loved, forgiven and blessed, in the grace of Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Musical Ministry

Hymn #631 Jesus' hands were kind hands

Children's Story

Scripture Passages

Responsive Psalm 139: 1-18, 23-24

You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.

You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit?

Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,” even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand— when I awake, I am still with you.

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Matthew 8:1-4 Jesus Heals a Man With Leprosy

When Jesus came down from the mountainside, large crowds followed him. A man with leprosy came and knelt before him and said, “Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.” Jesus reached out his hand and touched

the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” Immediately he was cleansed of his leprosy. Then Jesus said to him, “See that you don’t tell anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the gift Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Hymn #635 Brother, sister, let me serve you

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

O God; receive these gifts of our hands and hearts to make the world a more just and compassionate place for all. We pray especially this morning for the work of the WMS (Women’s Missionary Society), PWS&D (Presbyterian World Service and Development), and our partner in Nepal – INF (International Nepal Fellowship). May their work in eradicating leprosy be furthered through our gifts. May we continue to respond with Jesus words, “I am willing.” In his name we pray, Amen.

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #645 Follow me, the Master said

Commissioning and Benediction

Benediction Song

Musical Postlude