

South Kinloss Presbyterian Church
May 25, 2025

Musical Prelude

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

All: let all the peoples praise you!

One: Let the earth rejoice and be glad,

All: let the heavens declare your righteousness!

One: May all people see your glory, O God;

All: may your ways be known throughout the earth.

One: Let us worship the God who loves us;

**All: We come to worship with open hearts,
to raise our voices with thanks and praise.**

Opening Hymn #314 God is love: come heaven, adoring

Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer

May we unfurl with your gift of new life, and move into the future, renewed by the energy of your Holy Spirit.

**God of diversity and detail; the wonders of your creation amaze us. Yet we confess we often fail to honour its beauty and variety in the details of our lives. When voices differ in opinion, we listen to those we agree with. We fail to honour experience different than our own. We resist calls to honour the earth as if it were ours for the taking. Forgive our narrow perspectives. Open our eyes and our hearts to the pain and perspectives of others, and renew us all with your healing grace, 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 #476 Amigos de Cristo

Family Focus

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Responsive Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine on us

so that your ways may be known on earth, your salvation among all nations.

May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.

May the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you rule the peoples with equity and guide the nations of the earth.

May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.

The land yields its harvest; God, our God, blesses us.

May God bless us still, so that all the ends of the earth will fear him.

Acts 16:9-15 Lydia's Conversion in Philippi

During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." After Paul had seen the vision, we [that is, Paul and his companions] got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days. On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Sermon: strategy or prompting

Hymn #767 Lord, speak to me

Announcements

- Saturday, May 31st: Secret Pal Wrap-Up Dinner at 4:30pm. There is a sign-up sheet to volunteer and/or donate a food offering.
- June 5 at 2 pm: WMS meeting at Nancy MacIntyre's. Roll Call: Donation for Connections Centre
- Sunday, June 8th at 10:00am: 169th Anniversary Service with Guest Preacher Rev. Kathy Fraser.
- Please contact a WMS member if your child would like assistance for attendance at Camp Kintail this summer.
- Rev. Royal's Office Hours (posted)

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

Mission Moment

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #589 God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian

Benediction and Benediction Song

Musical Postlude