

South Kinloss Presbyterian Church
Sunday, March 15, 2026

Musical Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

- A Lent Devotional continues at Lucknow Presbyterian on Mondays from 2 – 3 pm. All welcome as we journey through Lent. Call Mae (519) 531-0528 for more details.
- Saturday, April 25 at 4:30pm: Wrap-up celebration for the Secret Pal Program
- The Men's Fellowship group will get together next on Tuesday, March 24 at 7:00pm here at South Kinloss
- March 29: Soup and Sandwich lunch following the service
- Today at 4:00pm – *Kirk in the Cedars* at Camp Kintail. Faith, Fellowship, and Food
- April 3rd at 11:00am: Good Friday Worship Service at South Kinloss Presbyterian Church. Choir members from the United and Presbyterian Churches will be participating. All welcome!

Responsive Call to Worship – PWS&D Lent Liturgy

How often, like those who wander in the wilderness, have we failed to trust God's covenant!

We have let God down and hurt one another.

But Jesus came into the world and was lifted up in order that love might be reborn.

Let us be glad, for we are not condemned, but held in the covenant of grace.

May God provide for our every need as we wander through our own wilderness.

May Christ our Saviour never condemn us, but deliver us to salvation.

May the Holy Bond of Love keep us in eternal care.

May we be empowered by embracing God's covenant and accepting God's changes.

Opening Hymn #648 I'm gonna live so God can use me

Prayer of Approach and Lord's Prayer

Now hear our prayer of confession.

God of life and love; we confess that events around us shake our trust in your love. When terror strikes and innocents fall, we wonder if love can defeat violence. When truth is twisted by misleading claims, we doubt love can prevail over lies. When we face trouble, we wonder if you love us at all. Forgive us, God, when we lose our trust in your love, and hear us pray as 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

Music Ministry

Family Focus

Hymn #500 'Open my eyes, that I may see

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Psalm 23 (Unison)

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the

presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

John 9:1-13, 35-41

Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind

As Jesus went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" "Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So, the man went and washed and came home seeing. His neighbours and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" Some claimed that he was. Others said, "No, he only looks like him." But he himself insisted, "I am the man." "How then were your eyes opened?" they asked. He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So, I went and washed, and then I could see." "Where is this man Jesus?" they asked him. "I don't know," he said. They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him. Jesus said, "For judgment I have come

into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind." Some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked, "What? Are we blind too?" Jesus said, "If you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Believing is seeing

Hymn #202 'We lay our broken world in sorrow at your feet'

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

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn #691 'My shepherd is the King of love' (vs 1, 2, 3, &6)

Benediction

Benediction Song

Musical Postlude