PARISH OF WEST MORAY - KINLOSS - SUNDAY - 17th AUGUST 2025

Welcome & Call to Worship

Hymn - Come people of the risen King

 Come, people of the risen King, Who delight to bring Him praise.
 Come, all and tune your hearts to sing, To the Morning Star of grace.
 From the shifting shadows of the earth, We will lift our eyes to Him, Where steady arms of mercy reach, To gather children in.
 Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
 One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun,
And those weeping through the night.
Come, those who tell of battles won,
And those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change,
And His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days,
With the certain hope of peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Prayer

Reading: Proverbs 16:21-24; ²¹The wise in heart are called discerning, and gracious words promote instruction. ²² Prudence is a fountain of life to the prudent, but folly brings punishment to fools. ²³ The hearts of the wise make their mouths prudent, and their lips promote instruction. ²⁴ Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.

Reading: Matthew 15:1-11 - 1 Then some Pharisees and teachers of the law came to Jesus from Jerusalem and asked, ² "Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They don't wash their hands before they eat!" 3 Jesus replied, "And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition? ⁴ For God said, 'Honour your father and mother' and 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.' 5 But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is 'devoted to God,' 6 they are not to 'honour their father or mother' with it. Thus you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition. ⁷ You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you: 8 "These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. ⁹ They worship me in vain; their teachings are merely human rules." 10 Jesus called the crowd to him and said, "Listen and understand. 11 What goes into someone's mouth does not defile them, but what comes out of their mouth, that is what defiles them."

Hymn - This little light of mine

This little light of mine,
 I'm gonna let it shine.
 This little light of mine,
 I'm gonna let it shine.
 This little light of mine,
 I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2. Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Ev'rywhere I go,
I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

3. Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine.
Jesus gave it to me,
I'm gonna let it shine,
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Prayer for Others

Hymn - MP 872 - Jesus, Jesus Holy and anointed one

1. Jesus, Jesus,
holy and anointed One, Jesus;
Jesus, Jesus,
risen and exalted One, Jesus:
Your name is like honey on my lips,
Your spirit like water to my soul;
Your word is a lamp unto my feet –
Jesus, I love You, I love You.

 Jesus, Jesus, holy and anointed One, Jesus; Jesus, Jesus, risen and exalted One, Jesus:
 Your name is like honey on my lips, Your spirit like water to my soul;
 Your word is a lamp unto my feet – Jesus, I love You, I love You.

Hymn - MP 287 - I love you Lord and I lift my voice

I love You, Lord and I lift my voice to worship You, O my soul, rejoice! Take joy, my King, in what You hear, may it be a sweet, sweet sound In Your ear.

Sermon

Hymn - MP 730 - We have heard a joyful sound

We have heard a joyful sound:
 Jesus saves!
 Spread the gladness all around:
 Jesus saves!
 Bear the news to every land, climb the steeps and cross the waves;
 Onward! 'tis our Lord's command:
 Jesus saves!

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2. Sing above the battle's strife:
 Jesus saves!

By his death and endless life,
 Jesus saves!

Sing it softly through the gloom,
when the heart for mercy craves;
sing in triumph o'er the tomb:
 Jesus saves!

3. Give the winds a mighty voice:

Jesus saves!

Let the nations now rejoice:

Jesus saves!

Shout salvation full and free to every strand that ocean laves
this our song of victory:

Jesus saves!

Benediction & Amen

Hymn - MP 460 - May God's Blessing

May God's blessing surround you each day, as you trust Him and walk in His way. May His presence within guard and keep you from sin, go in peace, go in joy, go in love.