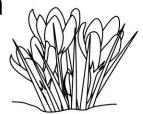


# Kingsway-Lambton United Church The Fourth Sunday in Lent



# Laetare/Rejoice Sunday

We are a welcoming community seeking to receive, enjoy, and share the love of God in Jesus. No one is ever alone.

#### For quiet preparation, you are invited to meditate upon this text:

As [Jesus] walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. <sup>2</sup> His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" <sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. <sup>4</sup> We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. <sup>5</sup> As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

John 9:1-5

The congregation is asked to stand at the "%" symbol.

# We Gather

Announcements of the Life and Work of the Congregation (Onscreen)

Prelude: You Are There

arr. V. Lyons

Faithfulness

W.M. Runyan

# **The Call to Worship: ⊕**

One: We continue our Lenten pilgrimage,

our journey to longer days and warming light.

All: Welcome, you who want to see more clearly. Welcome, those with

blindness who are unaware. Let us worship God.

**Processional Hymn:** #266 Amazing Grace

New Britain

**Introit:** Bathe Me in Your Light

R. Klusmeier

The Opening Prayer

Words of Welcome and Introduction

# The Prayer of Confession and Renewal:

Merciful Lord, without our asking or being able to ask you came.

Like a spring sun softening the ground,

You open our eyes that we may grow.

You help us to see each other as neighbours.

You allow us to see you watching over us tenderly.

Forgive the ways we close our eyes.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### The Assurance of Pardon

# The Act of Reconciliation (Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ):

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

# The Service of the Word

#### The Children's Time and Good News Candle

The Lord's Prayer (sung by all): VU #959

The Offering

**The Anthem:** The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

J. Berger

# The Presentation of the Offering, Doxology, and Prayer of Dedication

**Doxology:** Were the whole realm of nature mine,

that were a present far too small:

love so amazing, so divine,

demands my soul, my life, my all.

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Sarah Keating

**Solo:** God is My Shepherd

A. Dvorak

(Amy Dodington, Soloist)

The Gospel Lesson: John 9:1-12

Hymn: #371 Open My Eyes, that I Might See

Open My Eyes

**Sermon:** "Even Before You Know"

Rev. Hugh Reid

# We Begin to Respond to God's Word

# The Pastoral Prayer

One: Lord, you come to us,

All: We follow you, with trust, to life.

# We are Sent into the World

**Hymn:** #679 Let There Be Light Concord

Commissioning and Blessing

**Choral Benediction:** #349 The Christ Who Walks R.W. Henderson

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with you on the road.

May the Christ who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve.

May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart open your hearts to love.

May you see the face of Christ in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of Christ in you.

**Postlude:** I Love to Tell the Story W.G. Fisher

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THE FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE today are in loving memory of Robert John McMinn Surian by his parents Anne and Norman, and his brother Andrew and Thomas.

**Today:** After the service, in the Sanctuary, there will be an information meeting regarding historic changes proposed for the structure of the United Church of Canada. All are welcome to join us for a journey through the remits!

Next Sunday: 10 a.m. Lent 5, Rev. Hugh D. Reid Preaching
The Reception of New Members
The Week of Guided Prayer Begins at 2pm following the service.

#### **➢ ANNOUNCEMENTS ❖**

#### Welcome Visitors!

Your presence is a blessing to us; allow our church family to be a blessing to you.

We welcome you to our service and hope you will take a moment to make yourself known to one of the ushers, greeters, or ministers. If you are interested in becoming a part of the Kingsway-Lambton family, we invite you to call the Church Office at \$\alpha\$416-234-8224.

We are one family, united in Christ ... therefore, if you know of a significant birthday, anniversary or event, and would like to share this good news with our Church family in celebration, please contact the Church Office at \$\alpha\$416-234-8224 or email us at <a href="mailto:office@kingswaylambton.ca">office@kingswaylambton.ca</a>.

Flowers in Memory of Loved Ones - Rita MacDonald is the Church contact for those wishing to place flowers on the Communion Table in memory of a loved one. Please contact Rita at ₹416-236-0028.

**Sunday Services** are recorded on CDs and are available in the Library for borrowing during the week or for purchase at a cost of \$3.00 If you do not find a copy of the service you are looking for on the rack, additional copies can be ordered through the Church Office. They can also be found on the church website.



**Help us to continue lighting the Way.** Remember the United Church's Mission and Service fund when drafting your will and planning your estate.

## Wednesday Worship

Wednesday, March 29, 7:30pm in the Chapel. Join us as Rev. Dr. Paul Scott Wilson leads us through the Lenten journey with *Reflections on the Cross and Why It is* Important. The music will be led by Dan Ryan and Friends! Come out to an evening of fellowship, sharing, and music!

Information Session on Remits being proposed by the United Church - Sunday, March 26, 2017 after the service...Important changes are being proposed by the United Church. Each Church Board is being asked to vote on 6 remits. A Remit is a vote taken by pastoral charges & presbyteries and is part of a three-step process to change the Basis of Union for the United Church. Kingsway-Lambton's Official Board will be voting on these remits at the Board meeting on May 16th, 2017. In order for the Official Board to have the views of the congregation we are holding an information session to explain each remit and the impact it could have on the United Church and, in particular, Kingsway-Lambton. We encourage you to come to this important meeting. Further details on the remits are available at http://www.gc42.ca/remits.

#### Your Pastoral Care Committee shares with you the following event...

The next Sunnybrook Speakers Series event – Aging Well: Preventing Disease & Finding Your Balance. Join Sunnybrook experts at Sunnybrook Hospital for an evening discussion on Monday, March 27 at 6:30pm. Visit <a href="http://sunnybrook.ca/calendar/?c=3">http://sunnybrook.ca/calendar/?c=3</a> for more information or call 416-234-8224.

#### 2017 Art Show & Sale

For the past 19 years we have been very grateful to all our fellow Kingsway-Lambton members and friends for helping to spread the word about the Art Show. You have handed out postcards, put up posters, sold ticket and invited your friends and neighbours to join in making the day a spectacular success. This is how you can help promote the upcoming show next Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup>, 10am-4pm. Next Tuesday, you will be receiving an e-mail entitled Kingsway-Lambton Art Show And Sale- This Saturday!" When opened, it



will highlight the Art Show Poster which has all the information about the show and directs you to our website. We ask that you forward this e-mail to a friend or many friends. This is easy to do—look for the forward icon and send it off! See you next Saturday! No Fooling!

## **Stonegate Ministry's Spring Benefit Concert**

Be sure to join us on Sunday, April 9 at 2pm for "Canadian Heart and Soul!", a lively family event featuring performers from the Kingsway Conservatory of Music, with special

guest Juno award-winning Billy Newton-Davis (of Nylons fame). The concert is taking place at Kingsway-Lambton United Church, 85 The Kingsway, Etobicoke. Tickets are \$10 each (children 12 and under admitted free) and will be available for sale during Coffee Hour or at the door on the day of the concert. A free-will offering will be taken. Proceeds will support Stonegate Ministry's charitable programs. For further information, please contact Sandra Niemy at 416-231-9155, Horace Knight at 416-233-8479, or email stonegateministryoffice@gmail.com.

#### **Lenten Food Drive**

The Lenten Food Drive starts now and will continue until Thursday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. It will resume Monday, May 1, after the Flea Market. Please put a little extra into your grocery carts for those in need. Place your non-perishable food items into the box at the glass entrance. Thank you for your servant heart. From the Outreach Committee.

#### **New Members**

Kingsway-Lambton will welcome new members at the New Members' Service on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Alison in the church office soon so that we may meet with you to welcome you and share with you the work of our church. The next New Members' Sunday is planned to be held later in the autumn months.

#### Would you like to participate in our Sunday Service?

We are currently looking for readers, beginning in April. The readers are responsible for reading the scripture and leading the Responsive Reading during the service. If you would like to serve the congregation in this way, please email Alison Ryan to add your name to the list. Thank you for serving KLUC!

#### Week of Guided Prayer: Woven with God's Love

You are invited to participate in this retreat in the midst of daily life from Sunday, April 2 to Saturday, April 8, 2017. Please visit our website or call at 416-234-8224 for more information. Registration brochure is available on our website.



#### **Movies That Move You**

Join us on April 19<sup>th</sup> for "Girl Rising" in the Sanctuary at 7pm to witness the stories of nine unforgettable girls born into unforgiving circumstances, their courage and the power of education to change a girl – and the world.

#### Flea Market Announcement!

The Flea Market is getting closer! (Sat. 4/29) Only five weeks until we start unpacking! Hours for volunteers are Mon-Thurs, 8am-8pm, and Friday 8-3pm. We invite and welcome all volunteers who wish to help, and encourage all first-timers. Your donations can be dropped off at the bottom of the stairs at the west (glass) door.

Please pay attention to the following:

- like minded items are packed together
- we cannot sell computer, business, religious, older self-help, or textbooks
- National Geographic or any magazines are not accepted, along with water damaged or broken spines.
- There will be no recycling this year of TV's, broken appliances, or anything metal. Plastics and stuffed animals will not be accepted, as well as computer monitors or towers.
- We do accept furniture, however we do not provide pickup service and ask that your donations be dropped off at the church. We will have a tent on site the week of flea market for furniture.

We look forward to a wonderful week of fun and fellowship! Come one, come all to this fabulous community event! You will not be disappointed.

Any questions or queries you may contact Janice Wood at <a href="mailto:packunpack@icloud.com">packunpack@icloud.com</a>.

#### To all our KLUC Bakers

The Honduras Mission Committee will host a Bake Sale at the Flea Market again this year. We need your delicious baking to tempt all who enjoy homemade baked goods. Pies, cookies, candy, squares, tarts...use your imagination! Further details will be in upcoming bulletins for wrapping and delivery of your tempting treats. All proceeds of the Bake Sale will benefit our Honduran kids.

Contact Susan Franklin at sfranklin@sympatico.ca.

#### An Evening of Music

The Kingsway-Lambton section leads will be putting on a concert on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 7pm. It will take place in the Sanctuary. This is an opportunity for them to help give back to the church that has given to them. An offering will be taken will be put into the Special Music Fund, which supports the student section leads. We have a special guest accompanist from the University of Toronto, Lara Dodds-Eden. A small reception will take place in the West Reception Room following the concert.

#### **News from Family Christian Education**

# K-L Teen Drop In

Just a reminder that some of you owe permission forms and/or payments for our upcoming youth retreat (April 21-23) and ball hockey tournament (May 27). Both need to be submitted in the next week so please get them to me as soon as you are able.

- If you're still thinking about participating in either of these events we do have a couple of spots, so please contact us ASAP.
- **Upcoming Dates**Mark your calendars! March 31 & April 7.

If you have any questions, please contact us at klucyouth@gmail.com.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

This summer, August 21-25, 2017, Islington United Church, Kingsway-Lambton United Church, and Royal York Road United Church will be hosting a fun program called "Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose". Camp will take place at Royal York Road United church which is located at: <u>851</u>



<u>Royal York Rd, Toronto ON M8Y 2V3</u>. Camp starts every day at 9am and ends at 4pm. The early bird cost for this event is \$75 before April 1 and increases to \$100 after April 1. There is also Aftercare available (4-6pm) at an additional cost. For more information or to register, please contact: <u>karen@islingtonunited.org</u>.

# Thank you for joining us this week!

#### > MARCH & APRIL LIFE AND WORK ◆

Monday 27	UCW Unit #5	12:30pm Village of Humber Heights
Wednesday 29	Bible Study	10am West Reception Room
Wednesday 29	Wednesday Worship	7:30pm Chapel
Thursday 30	Refugee Committee Meeting	8:30am West Reception Room
Thursday 30	Chancel Choir	7:30pm West Reception Room
Saturday 1	20 <sup>th</sup> Annual Art Show & Sale	10am Multiple Rooms
Sunday 2	Worship Service – New Members	10am Sanctuary
Sunday 2	Week of Guided Prayer Opening Session	2pm West Reception Room
Wednesday 5	Bible Study	10am West Reception Room
Wednesday 5	Knitters	1:30pm West Reception Room
Wednesday 5	Wednesday Worship	7:30pm Chapel
Thursday 6	Refugee Committee Meeting	7pm Library
Thursday 6	Chancel Choir	7:30 West Reception Room
Friday 7	Teen Drop-In	6:30 pm Gym, Club Room
Saturday 8	Week of Guided Prayer Closing Session	9am West Reception Room
Sunday 9	Worship Service – Communion Sunday	10am Sanctuary
Sunday 9	Stonegate Ministry's Benefit Concert	2pm Sanctuary
Monday 10	UCW Unit #2	12pm Club Room, Kitchen
Wednesday 12	Wednesday Worship	7:30pm Chapel
Thursday 13	Chancel Choir	7:30pm West Reception Room
Friday 14	Good Friday – Neighbourhood Cross	8am Etienne Brule Park
	Walk	
Friday 14	Good Friday Tenebrae Service	11am Sanctuary
Sunday 16	Easter Sunrise Service	7:30am Sanctuary
Sunday 16	Easter Sunday Services	9 & 11am Sanctuary

**BAPTISMS:** May 14, June 11 **COMMUNION:** April 9, May 28

**NEW MEMBERS:** April 2

The Church Office will be closed on Good Friday (April 14) and Easter Monday (April 17)

#### Fourth In Lent & March 26, 2017

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AND THE MEMBERS OF OUR CONGREGATION

#### Music:

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