

**Christmas Eve**  
**The Excitement of Christmas**  
**The Baby Arrives!**



# KINGSWAY-LAMBTON UNITED CHURCH

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 | 5 pm  
Christmas Eve

The Excitement of Christmas ~ The Baby Arrives!



Whoever you are,  
wherever you're at,  
you are welcome.  
Join us on the  
journey!



**Coordinating Minister**  
Rev. Don Gibson

**Music Director**  
Nathan Gritter

**Organist**  
Paul Wisniewski

**Choir Section Leaders**  
Camille Labonte | Kate Tapp Mock  
Karen Hu | Rianna Robinson  
William Salinas-Crosby | Matthew Tissi  
Evan Hammell | Simon Vandenberg



Nursery Care and Sunday School are not available at this service.



# Kingsway-Lambton United Church



The congregation is asked to stand at the “☼” symbol.

**Welcome!**

**Children’s Choir:** *“Before the Marvel of This Night”* (VU 40)

J.Vajda/C.F. Schalk

**☼ Gathering Carols:**

VU 69 *“Away In a Manger”*

Cradle Song

VU 91 *“The First Nowell”*

The First Nowell

**Call to Worship:**

One: At Christmas we remember how Jesus came to us.

All: **Jesus came as a little baby.**

One: Jesus came to show God’s love.

All: **We show God’s love when we help others.**

**Prayer**

All: God on this special night we feel more deeply your love in the joy of Christmas. Help us to remember your gifts and help us to share your hope, peace, joy and love. Amen.

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Rev. Don Gibson

All: The Babe of Bethlehem is the light of the world.  
May his light shine in all of us.

**The Christ Candle is Lit**

**Children’s Choir:** *“Do You Have Room?”*

Shawna Edwards

Reading from “Living God’s Way – Bible Stories Retold” (R. Milton p. 152)

“Jesus is Born” based on Luke 2: 1-7

Kate Tapp Mock

☼ Carol: VU 64 “O Little Town Of Bethlehem”

St. Louis

Children’s Time

Rev. Don Gibson

☼ Carol: VU 43 “Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

Go, Tell It

Reading from “Living God’s Way – Bible Stories Retold” (R. Milton p. 154)

“The Shepherds Visit Jesus” based on Luke 2: 8-20

Eryn Smith

Solo: “The Little Cradle Rocks Tonight”

arr. Jay Althouse

Soloist: Kate Tapp Mock

Reflection: “Looking For Jesus”

Rev. Don Gibson

Prayers

☼ Carol: VU 67 “Silent Night”

Stille Nacht

☼ Benediction

Postlude: “Puer Nobis Nascitus”

N. Lebeque



## Sunday School Curriculum!

The lesson for Christmas Eve  
and Christmas Day is:  
“Jesus is Born”

Scripture Reading: Luke 2: 1-20

“On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day we celebrate ~ Jesus is born!”



During the season of Christmas, we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

One symbol we see for Christmas is a baby in a manger.

A manger is a box that holds food for animals.

A manger was the first bed to hold Jesus.”



# MEMORIAL FLOWERS



The flowers in front of the pulpit are in fond memory of the beautiful Diana who is always in our hearts and will never be forgotten, placed there by her loving family, Alastair, Andrew, Erica, Jackson and Tyler, Sarah, Victoria, JD, Hunter Aiden and Maeve.

The flowers in front of the lectern are placed in loving memory of Wendy Wynn from Brian, Kathie, Eric and Kirsten.



## **Holiday Closure**

The church office will be closed from 2:00 pm on Christmas Eve until 9:00 am on Friday, January 2, 2026.

The building will also be closed except for our Christmas Eve Services and the service on December 28<sup>th</sup>.

For pastoral care, please leave a voicemail and someone will be in touch.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out the e-blast or KL website for further details.



## Warmth Initiative

January 11 to 29

Monday – Friday | 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Sunday | 8:30 am – 12:00 pm



Can you help by donating used warm clothing to help folks experiencing homelessness?

We will be collecting warm clothing for both **men & women**. Items should be in good shape.

### What can you do to help?

Clear out your closets

Add socks/undies to your shopping list

Spread the word to your network of family, friends & neighbours!

### Items Needed:

Coats, Hats, Mittens, Gloves, Boots, Sweaters, Hoodies, Fleece Tops, Pants, Sweats, Jeans

### Urgent Need:

New Warm Socks and New Underwear (Regular and Long/Thermal)

## Year End Financial Information

Just a reminder that for **donations** to be included in your **2025 Income Tax Receipt**, they must be received by Kingsway-Lambton by 12 noon on Wednesday, December 31, 2025.



If you intend to make a Gift in Kind donation using publicly traded shares or stocks, please start the process with your financial agent as soon as possible so the transaction is completed prior to Dec 31, 2025.

**Offering Envelopes for 2026** are available for pickup. They are in the hallway adjacent to the Chapel.

If you have any questions or would like offering envelopes, please contact Ed Mock at 416-234-8224 x 112 or by email [ed@kingswaylambton.ca](mailto:ed@kingswaylambton.ca)



# UPCOMING SERVICES



*Christmas  
Eve*

## Christmas Eve

Wednesday, December 24 | 10:00 pm | In Person & Online

Candlelight Communion Service

*"Looking for Light"*

Luke 2: 1-20; Matthew 2: 1-12



*Dec 28*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Christmas

Sunday, December 28 | 10:00 am | In Person Only

No Nursery Care or Sunday School

*"Continued..."*

Luke 2: 22-40

*Jan 4*

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in 2026

Sunday, January 4 | 10:00 am | In Person & Online

Nursery Care and Sunday School Resume

Epiphany Sunday

Lessons and Hymns

Isaiah 60: 1-6; John 1: 10-18; Luke 2: 21-38; Matthew 2: 1-12

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Merry  
Christmas

and  
happy new year

May the peace, joy and  
love of Christmas rest  
upon your hearts and may  
the promise of the New  
Year bring renewed hope.



UNTO US  
*a child is born.*  
ISAIAH 9:6

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