

Sunday, December 28, 2025 | 10 am 1st Sunday after Christmas



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



Coordinating Minister Rev. Don Gibson

> Music Director Nathan Gritter

OrganistPaul 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

Stand at "⊛", as you are able.



Words of Welcome

Solo: "A Slumber Song of the Madonna"

Soloist: Rianna Robinson

⊕ Call to Worship

One: God comes as a light, grace-filled yet baby-frail.

All: Now may our hearts cradle you, our voices sing to you, our spirits leap with you, and our hearts dance with you.

Opening Hymn: VU 48 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

Mendelssohn

S. Barber

Opening Prayer:

One: Arise, shine: for your light has come.

All: O God, we live as if the light had never defeated the darkness in the world or in us.

One: And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

All: We confess that we ignore the Christ you sent to be among us, to be in us.

One: For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.

All: We've kept the birth of your Son confined to the Christmas season and do not yearn for his birth each moment in our waiting hearts.

One: And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

All: Lord, you came to us in the fullness of time. Forgive us for not opening our eyes to your coming.

One: It's time that we prepare for your coming. Let the earth ring with song. Let the light break forth. Let all rejoice in the miracle of love. Christ come into the fullness of our time.

Words of Assurance

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

All: And also with you.

Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ

Good News & Work of the Church

Offering

Presentation of the Offering, Doxology, & Prayer of Dedication

⊕ Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God, all creatures here below!

Give thanks to God in love made known,

Praise Father, Son, and Spirit, one.

Sermon: "Continued..." (Luke 2: 22-40)

⊕ Hymn: VU 55 "In The Bleak Midwinter" Cranham

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: VU 74 "What Child Is This"
 Greensleeves

Commissioning and Blessing

Choral Benediction: "Go Now In Peace" (Words on screen)
 Don Besig

Postlude: "XII Noel Suisse" L.C. Daquin

Please join us after worship for Coffee and Connection.





The lesson this week is: "Escape to Egypt"

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2: 13-23

"Today is the **first** Sunday in the season of **Christmas**.

The colour for the Christmas season is **white**.

White represents the **purity** of Jesus and reminds us of the **light** and **joy** that Jesus brings to the **world**."



Rev. Don Gibson



UPCOMING EVENTS

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



Warmth Initiative

January 11 to 29 - Friday | 9:00 am - 7:

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.

Further details are available on our website and in our e-blast.

Year End Financial Information

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



Holiday Closure

The church office is closed until 9:00 am on Friday, January 2, 2026.

The building will also be closed after this service and will re-open on Friday, January 2, 2026.

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

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