Sunday, March 16, 2025 – Lent 2 Rooted in God. Growing in Faith. (Week of Guided Prayer)

# KINGSWAY-LAMBTON

UNITED CHURCH



Coordinating Minister Rev. Don Gibson

Music Music Director: Nathan Gritter Organist: Paul Wisniewski

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

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

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Childcare for infants up to three years old is available in our nursery. Sunday School for JK to Grade 5 is available after our Children's Moment.

# Kingsway-Lambton United Church

10 am 🕆 Sunday, March 16, 2025

The congregation is asked to stand at the " $\circledast$  " symbol.

### We Gather

Prelude: "Fantasia in C minor"

J.S. Bach

Song 13

Words of Welcome and Week of Guided Prayer

Call to Worship:

One: God is good all the time.

All: All the time God is good.

Someoning Hymn: VU 116 "Giver of the Perfect Gift"

Introit: "Lord In This Thy Mercy's Day"

#### Prayer of Approach and Confession:

All: God of endless love and goodness, you have promised to protect us in times of trouble and uncertainty and to hear us when we pray. As your people gathered here this day we seek to be rooted and to grow in you. Gracious God we confess that at times we have fallen short of what you call us to be. Forgive us and through your Spirit empower us to faithfully follow in the ways of Jesus. Amen.

#### Words of Assurance

- One: May the peace of Christ be with you all.
- All: And also with you.

#### Sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ

(Following the sharing of the Peace, please make your way back to your seats, as the children come forward.)

**Children's Moment** 

Victoria Efting

Good News & Work of the Church

Offering

Anthem: "You Do Not Walk Alone"

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.

### The Service of the Word

Scripture: Luke 6: 17-26

Sermon: "Living on the Level"

# We Begin to Respond to God's Word

**Prayers of the People** 

The Lord's Prayer

### We are Sent into the World

Hymn: VU 376 "Spirit of the Living God"

Commissioning and Blessing

 Choral Benediction: "May the Christ who walks on Wounded Feet" (Words on screen)
Words: Trad. Celtic Prayer Music: Ruth Watson Henderson

Postlude: "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"

Spiritual arr. H.T. Burleigh

Please join us in the Auditorium following the service for Coffee & Conversation.

David Haas

Elaine Hagenberg

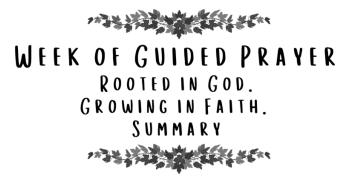
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Rev. Don Gibson

Living God







Sunday, March 16 – Sunday, March 23

Tune into the podcast "Islington Listens" at <u>islingtonunited.org</u> for a reading of the daily Scriptures.





### SUNDAY/MONDAY

Genesis 2:4b-9 Isaiah 11:1-9 Matthew 13:31-32 Luke 8:4-15 Seed ... Promise of Life

... the Lord God made to grow every tree

- ... a shoot will spring from the stump of Jesse
- ... it is the smallest of all seeds
- ... the seed is the word of God

#### TUESDAY

Psalm 92:12-15 Jonah 4:1-11

1 Corinthians 3:5-9 1 John 4:16-19

#### Sap ... Nourishment for Life

- ... the righteous flourish like the palm tree
- ... is it right for you to be angry about the bush
- ... only God gives the growth
- ... God is love





#### WEDNESDAY

Psalm 52:8-9 Jeremiah 17:5-8 Ephesians 3:14-19 Colossians 2:6-7

#### Roots ... Foundation for Life

... I am like a green olive tree

- ... they shall be like a tree planted by water
- ... you are rooted and grounded in love
- ... rooted and built up in him

#### THURSDAY

Proverbs 3:18 Daniel 4:10-12 Luke 19:1-10 John 14:15-17

#### Trunk ... Support through Life

- ... she (wisdom) is a tree of life
- ... the tree grew great and strong
- ... and climbed a sycamore tree to see him
- ... he (the Spirit) abides with you





#### FRIDAY

#### Branches ... Grafting in New Life

Nehemiah 8:13-18 ... bring branches Psalm 104:12-17 ... they sing among the branches Matthew 21:6-11 ... Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord

... you have been grafted in Romans 11:17-18

### SATURDAY

#### Leaves, Flowers, and Fruit ... Harvest of Living

Deuteronomy 24:19-21 ... leave what remains Psalm 96:11-13 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Revelation 22:1-2

- ... all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- ... you will be enriched in everything
- ... the leaves of the trees are for the healing of the nation





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April 13 10 am	PALM SUNDAY Communion Children's Choir Sermon - We Know How This Ends!	
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April 17 11 am	MAUNDY THURSDAY Join together in the Chapel Readings from the last night in Jesus' life.	
April 18 11 am	GOOD FRIDAY Good Friday Hymns & Music Reflection - What's So Good About Good Friday?	
April 20	EASTER SUNDAY Easter Music	

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Easter Music Children's Choir & Chancel Choir Sermon - I Believe Hallelujah Chorus

10 am





### Massey College – Ethics Series

Legislating Homelessness: Government Response to Homelessness?

Thursday, March 20 ~ 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Rev. Gibson invites you to join him for Massey College's final Ethics Panel of the year. In-person or online.

For more details, visit www.masseycollege.ca/events/ethics-series-march-2025/

### Children's Choir Practice

Thursday, March 20 ~ 6:00 – 6:30 pm (in Sanctuary) All children between the ages of 4 and 11 are welcome to come and participate!



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

Lenten Bible Study - Gospel of Mark

Join Rev. Dr. Paul Wilson via Zoom. Every Monday until April 14. There's plenty of room in the morning session. Register online using the link in the eblast.



Coffee and Conversation

Location – West Reception Room Thursday, March 20 ~ 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm



James Gardens

Thursday, March 27 ~ 7:00 pm Learn how a great garden came about! Join us for the definitive history of James Gardens, researched and presented by Frank Kershaw. See e-blast for more details.



# Talk Back Sunday

Sunday, March 30, 2025

Join Rev. Gibson in the West Reception Room after coffee for a half hour discussion about the sermon and the text. This is an opportunity 'to go deeper' and discover even more about the text.

### **Charity Art Show & Sale**

Saturday, April 5 ~ 10 am to 4 pm



If you can volunteer to help that day and/or supply baked cookies, please call Ona Humphreys at (416) 232-0484.

Tickets are now on sale, both online and at Coffee Hour.

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