



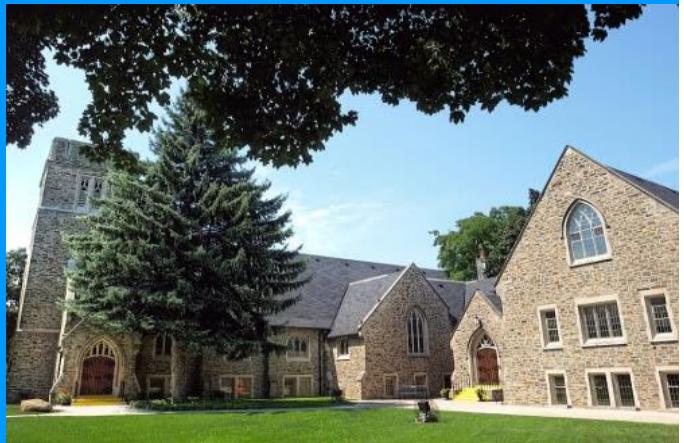
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The Carillon

HIGHLIGHTING OUR MOMENTS
AT KINGSWAY-LAMBTON CHURCH
FEBRUARY 2017

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SERVICES: SUN 10 AM. & WED 7:30 PM
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Seasons of Joy & Family Fun

The holidays are often a very busy time for churches, and Kingsway-Lambton was no exception this past Christmas:

In December, Kingsway-Lambton hosted the 80th installment of its ever popular Christmas Pageant, "A Child is Born." As reported by *Snapd Etobicoke*, our enactment of the first Christmas is a beloved tradition enjoyed by young and old alike. It featured spectacular performances by the kids of Kingsway-Lambton and our surrounding community. More than 100 children took part in the shows, as did many parents and volunteers. Thank you to everyone whose enthusiasm and time once again made this cherished event a big success.

We also hosted "Skating Night" with an annual visit of our beloved St. Nicholas. This was followed by two Christmas Eve services that were well attended and filled with young families from far and away. With 2017 now in full swing, the Ministry for Young Families, Children and Youth is back in full force. Sunday School was supported by Anouchka and Alison in January, and Martha and Jean in February. Gloria, Ede and Beth have been our steady help at the "Tod Squad."

Family Fun Fridays also continue to be a big hit. Children recently honed their culinary skills while making guacamole for "Mexican Master Chef Family Fun Night." I had the privilege of teaching the kids how to make guacamole (let's chalk that up as a learning experience!) Youth group continues to grow thanks to the support and leadership of Jennifer and Richard. The gym is also filling up with flea market goods but we find other ways to have fun. This includes the South West Presbytery Spring Retreat in April, where we have fun with other like-minded youth in our presbytery.

As we move into March, there are many who are travelling and taking advantage of March Break. Be safe as you travel and come back rejuvenated.

We've got great things in store for you! See you soon!



80th Christmas Pageant is Snapd!



Ole! Family Fun Friday Hosts Mexican Night



Having Fun with Friends

Sunday School & Youth Programming

**Moses Kang
Minister to Young Families, Children & Youth**



God in the Chaos

In January, I had the opportunity to visit Denver and attend a Christian educators' conference. The theme for the conference was "God in the Chaos." I must admit that the theme seemed very fitting for the current situation south of the border. However, I wondered whether we may also be in a time of chaos. Just recently, we were alarmed by the troubled news from Quebec City where many innocent children have lost their father without explanation. We hear of the increasing number of homicides in our city of Toronto. This begs the question, where is Jesus in all of this?

This seems to be the question that was asked through the ages as the disciples asked the very same question when they found themselves in the middle of a chaotic storm. The disciples are in this little boat and are being swamped by thunder and waves. They wonder, where is Jesus in all of this? And when they finally find Jesus, they cry out "Lord, save us! We are perishing!"

It is fascinating to learn that even when Jesus was with the disciples, the chaos of the thunder storm still surrounded the disciples. In fact, I find great comfort knowing that even when Jesus was with the disciples, the waves were crashing against them. It is a reminder that when we ask for answers at times of chaos, God does not give us answers. God gives us God's presence. In fact, God is present in the chaos that surrounds the disciples. Jesus never left the boat, but was with them throughout.

We live in chaos. There is constant talk within the church, including our very own Kingsway-Lambton United Church that the numbers are dwindling at an alarming rate. However, I find peace in the words of the psalmist who says, "Be still and know that I am God." God grants us God's presence even at times of chaos.

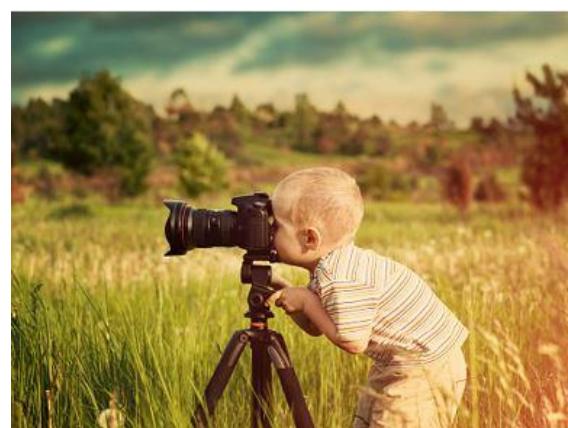
These are chaotic times in the world and in the church. I hope that we can rally around God's presence that surrounds us. As we move into the season of Lent – when we trace the 40 days Jesus spent in the chaos, let us step forth in faith that God's presence will lead us through. And for that, as I write this a few days before Ash Wednesday, may I add Hallelujah!

Calling All Shutterbugs

Every issue of The Carillon is made special thanks to the photos that accompany the stories you read.

Please consider snapping pictures at the events you attend and e-mail them to Risa MacDonald, Managing Editor, at risamacdonald@rogers.com.

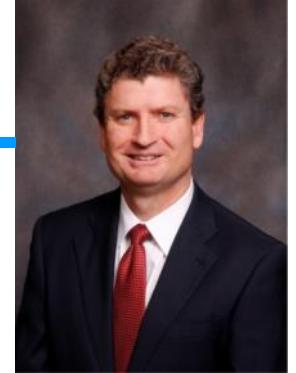
If you have questions about how to take a good photo, she can help (just ask). Thank you to those who have submitted images previously!



By Reason of Strength

"The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty..." Psalm 90:10

In June, I visited the Palestinian village of Aboud and its Orthodox church built 1,650 years ago. They've endured the rise and fall of empires, good times and persecution down to today.



We turn 80 this year. Young in the way of church families, we have a storied history nevertheless. We were born in the depths of a great depression. In a time of scarce resources, people sacrificed to plant a seed of faith. That faith was needed. Our childhood was lived in the shadow of the Second World War. Names are painted on a scroll by Arthur Lismer giving quiet witness to sacrifice.

Our teen years saw the Korean war, a baby boom at home, and a hurricane named Hazel. The UCW was roused in the night to make sandwiches for rescue workers and survivors, and the Church held the funerals for firefighters who sacrificed.

We grew and matured in a time of unparalleled prosperity for churches and Canadians that saw tremendous social change. Women and members of our human family who were once relegated, even despised, have been accorded increasing and proper dignity as beloved and gifted children of God. As a previous generation of Christians who ended the slave trade found, love, though patient and kind, is persistent and determined in redefining the human family. The arc of history is long but it bends toward grace for those with eyes to see and ears to hear.

Today, church and community, especially our affluent west, face a new challenge. This designated culture of narcissism, together with advances in technology, has frayed the social fabric. People are turning inward, losing skills for relationship and democracy. No person is an island but we increasingly live as islanders to the cost of our emotional health and meaning. Across our world, we see the rise of dissatisfaction, fear, and despair. In a time of scarce spiritual resources, the seed of faith is needed.

We now begin the Season of Lent where we learn again the story of our God who does not shy away from human estrangement, even to death on a cross. God suffers because we suffer and God chooses to be with us and available to all. But when we know we are not alone, that divine life and love will find us in whatever pit we've made, there begins the transformation which drives out fear, restores dignity and community.

Love is strong and will take us beyond 80, even 1,650 years, and more, for it is the beginning. It does not pass away and it's needed now.

Rev. Hugh

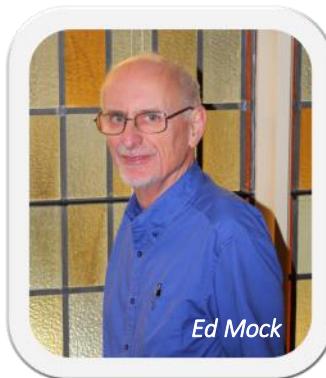


Left: Slaying dragons, a mural of St. George in Aboud, West Bank, Palestinian Territories.

Kingsway-Lambton Welcomes New Staff

Please join us in welcoming the following new staff to our church family:

Ed Mock is our new Part-time Financial Administrator and joined us on January 3, 2017. Ed's most recent experience includes being Assistant Treasurer at First United Church and he recently retired from a long standing career at Ontario Place. Already focused on his deliverables Ed reflected, "I've enjoyed working with Gail and Karen to learn all the aspects of the Financial Administrator's position and I'm looking forward to having the year-end work completed!"



Ed Mock

Alison Ryan is our new Church Administrator and joined us on January 16, 2017. Alison is also one of section leads in the Chancel Choir. Her most recent experience includes working at the Toronto Western Hospital where she performed many administrative functions. "I've enjoyed the ministry side of the job, the visits from members, and the volunteers who make my life easier by taking calls in the morning...but more importantly, making me laugh!" Alison is clear on what she looks forward to most. "I look forward to being a part of this new family and participating in its health and growth for years to come...it's become my home, what better place to be?"



Alison Ryan

Please note the Gail Teal and Karen Munday will be assisting Ed and Alison with the transition over the next few months.



How Do We Increase Attendance at Kingsway-Lambton?

Priscilla Knight
Chair, Official Board

The Official Board held a meeting in November 2016 to look at new ways to invigorate the Church and increase our attendance. A small group of Official Board members met following the meeting, to consider the next steps.

One of the outcomes of that meeting was a decision to meet with active and inactive congregation members, to hear their thoughts on issues that could impact the future at Kingsway-Lambton. We would like to thank all those people who attended the meeting on January 23 and shared their thoughts. The small group of the Official Board will be distilling the ideas received and report back to the Official Board this May.

If any members of the congregation have ideas as to how to invigorate the Church, please contact me at priscilla.rice.knight@gmail.com or (416) 233-8479 so we can include them in our future discussions.



Dollars and Sense

Bill Winterburn, Treasurer



Good News from 2016

We beat our budget in 2016 and ended our year with a surplus of \$20,419 in our operating account. The budget had originally called for a deficit of \$15,000. So how and why did we accomplish this?

1. Total revenues of \$701,400 were 4% better than budget. The two main components of total revenues – envelopes and open offerings – were respectively 3% and 6% better than budget.
2. We had significant revenues from trustee housing allowances (\$28,800), nursery school rent (\$40,002), donations from the United Church Women (\$15,000), and the LEGO summer camp (\$11,000).
3. As for total expenses, we were 1% below budget. This reflects the strong expense control measures that were put in place last year.

Our Budget for 2017

Our proposed operating budget for 2017 is calling for a deficit of \$21,000. In other words, we are predicting that we will break even over the 2016 and 2017 period. This would be a very good accomplishment, and a worthy goal, given the environment in which we are operating.

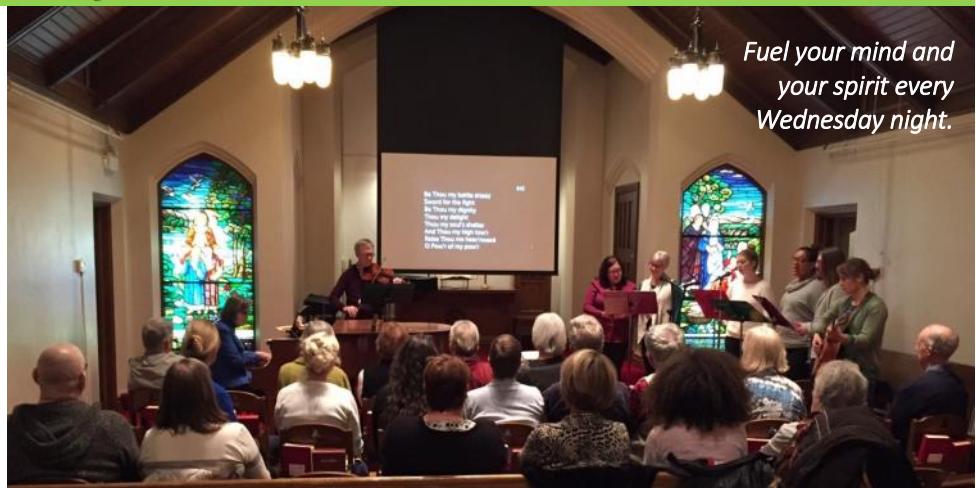
Some of the committees, including session, music, and communication, have requested funds intended to increase our membership, and to make our Church more relevant in the community. Wherever possible, these funds have been provided for in the budget.

The proposed budget has now been approved by the Board of Stewards. It will be taken to the Official Board and the congregation for final approval in late February.

Wednesday Night Worship

Looking for an alternative way to worship during the week? Check out Kingsway-Lambton's more informal worship sessions each Wednesday in the Chapel from 7:30 – 8:30 pm.

Gatherings feature different speakers on thought-provoking topics to fuel your mind and support your faith journey. All are welcome and no sign up is required.



A Bittersweet Send Off: Karen Munday Retires

Sunday, Feb. 19, 2017

After 18 years of dedicated service, Karen Munday retired from her position as part-time Assistant Office Administrator at Kingsway-Lambton.

Family and friends gathered for a luncheon on February 19 to celebrate Karen as she starts her much deserved next chapter. When asked how she wants to enjoy the next few years, Karen doesn't hesitate. "Primarily travel!" she says.

"My husband and I plan to tour the whole island of Jamaica in March and then take a road trip to the U.S. to view the solar eclipse in August. While there, we'll visit the Grand Canyon and other National Parks in the central and southwest states." Karen and her family will also keep busy with a basement renovation and helping plan for her youngest daughter's wedding this fall.

We're sad to see Karen go but she won't be too far away. She plans to join the Knitters Group and may help out with the Flea Market in April. She's got a full calendar but it's an exciting one she'll no doubt enjoy! Below are some photos from the happy (but bittersweet) event.



Opportunities to Serve at Kingsway-Lambton

Have you thought about volunteering at Kingsway-Lambton but aren't sure where to start? Well, look no further! There are many rewarding volunteer opportunities where your support would make a meaningful difference. If a particular area sparks your interest, e-mail the contact person to find out more.



Communications Committee: Looking for a new member/helper with graphic design skills to assist with several projects. Contact ***Sheryl Macdonald*** at sherylmac@rogers.com.



Ministry & Personnel Committee: If you have experience in a management role or direct human resource experience, contact ***Geoff Butler*** at geoffreybutler1@gmail.com.



Family Christian Education Committee: Additional members are needed to develop/implement the Christian Education program for families and youth. Contact ***Janine D'Ippolito*** at janine.dippolito@gmail.com.



Baptism Assistant: If you love babies, this is the committee for you! Contact ***Karen Czanieki*** at kczanie@toronto.ca.



Communion Chair: Looking for someone who likes tradition to help prepare and serve communion on five occasions annually. Contact ***Janice Bull*** at janicebull@rogers.com.



Caring, Connecting and Welcoming Committee Chair/Co-Chairs: This committee strives to engage people and help them find ways to support our mission as a church. New Chair/Co-Chair(s) for the committee needed. Contact ***Mary Prime*** at maryprime48@gmail.com.



"Movies that Move You" Chair: New leadership is needed for 2018. A great opportunity to bring inspiring documentaries to Kingsway-Lambton. Contact ***Donna-Lee Waymann*** at donna.lee.waymann@gmail.com.



Coffee Hour Assistant: Assist with the important ministry and fellowship of Coffee Hour - our scheduling is tailored to your availability! Contact ***Pat Butler*** at patricia.lmbutler@gmail.com.



Audio Visual (AV) Team: Looking for someone to assist with video and sound at Sunday Services and occasionally, for special events. Training is provided and scheduling is flexible. Contact ***Greg Hughes*** at hughes.g@rogers.com.



Cyber-Seniors Program: Help coordinate a weekly pilot program from April 6-June 1. Tasks include liaising with seniors and their youth mentors, and booking space at the Church for their meetings. No technology skills required. Contact ***Donna-Lee Waymann*** at donna.lee.waymann@gmail.com.

Families United Our 2017 Stewardship Campaign

The campaign theme “To Give Back to God,” was the focus of the information kit recently sent to approximately 460 households in the Kingsway-Lambton family. The campaign recognized that our “Gifts Back to God” is a combination of time, talent and treasure. This stewardship message was also delivered throughout November during worship services, Sunday School classes, and reflected in the joyful melody of the seniors’ choir.

Green ribbons, the family silhouettes on the lawn, pre service video segments, and social media activities provided visual reminders during the campaign.

Stewardship commitments through the return of Pledge Cards and/or participation in the PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance) program are critical for preparing the yearly budget and to fund the increasing costs of our activities at Kingsway-Lambton.

The budget, when joined with the talents and time of our members, supports the growing dimensions of our programs. The Gifts and Giving Committee thanks everyone who has generously responded to date. We’ve had a nearly 5% increase reflected in the average \$2,040 commitment for operational expenses. Mission & Service pledges reflect a similar growth.

The total value and number of commitments at the time of writing this report remains slightly less than 2016. However, the Committee has confidence that the contributions by those who have not yet pledged or enrolled in the PAR program will be equally generous. This is required, so that, the needs of the church will be met.

New PAR enrollments, pledges and requests for envelopes are welcome throughout 2017. Online payments and gifts of securities are also always appreciated. The Gifts and Giving Committee will continue to report on the progress of our “Gifts Back to God” campaign.

Soup-er Bowl Sunday

Falcons and Patriots fans alike united to tackle their hunger pains during Soup-er Bowl luncheon on Sunday, Feb. 5. The annual event once again fostered fellowship as members enjoyed a warm meal before the big game. Thank you to the team of dedicated volunteers who made this event possible.



One could have never predicted such a monster come-back during Super Bowl LI but one thing is always guaranteed: Kingsway-Lambton’s homemade soup hits the spot!

A Miracle of God



It's been over three months since the arrival of the Saadehs, the Syrian family sponsored by Kingsway-Lambton, Royal York Road and Runnymede churches. And what a three months it's been!

With the help of many wonderful volunteers, Antoin, Warda, Majdolin and George have settled into a lovely apartment, dealt with all types of important government documents, started ESL, navigated their way through the city on the TTC, and much more.

The family also enjoyed their first Canadian Christmas! At that time they asked that a message of thanks be printed in the church bulletin. They wrote, "It is a miracle of God that we are here...we would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your care...and the great effort you have made for us. You are angels of mercy for us to help us feel warm and safe like home."

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20th Annual Art Show and Sale Come and Help Us Celebrate!

Saturday, April 1, 2017 (No Fooling!)
85 The Kingsway
10 am – 4 pm

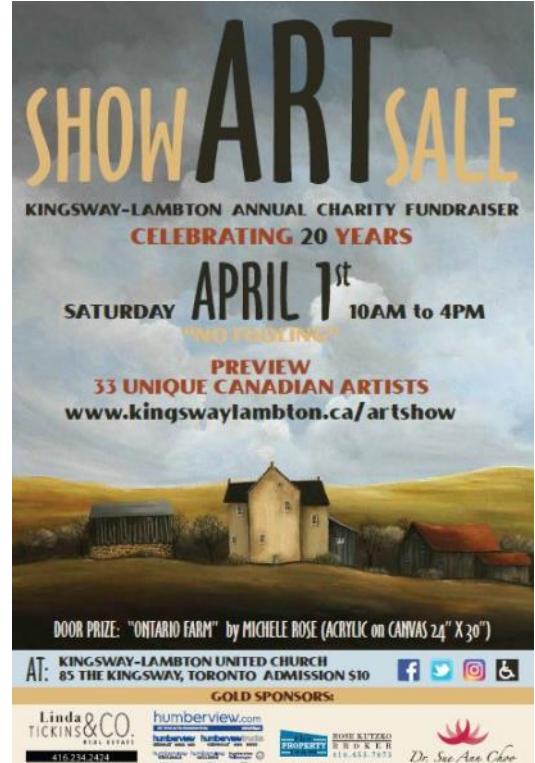
Mark your calendars for the 20th annual Art Show and Sale at Kingsway-Lambton.

The support of the church community has always been an important part of the show's success. Please continue to encourage your family, friends and colleagues to come and help make this our most successful show ever!

Don't miss this year's featured artist, Michele Rose, who creates serene British and Canadian landscapes with a bit of whimsy (and was one of last year's top sellers). Thirty-three artists will offer a wide selection of unique, stylish and affordable pieces. There will be something for everyone!

Each purchase will help support our many community charities.
**So many reasons to come, view, buy and support.
Art for Goodness' Sake!**

Tickets, postcards and posters will be available at Sunday coffee hour starting in March. Tickets are only \$10 and will be entered into a draw for the work of our featured artist Michele Rose.



www.kingswaylambton.ca/artshow

View information about the artists, sponsors and charities
See you on Saturday, April 1!

Get Ready to Be Moved

Kingsway-Lambton United Church Presents:
 "Movies That Move You" Film Fest
 March 8 & April 19 @ 7 pm



Want to feel "moved" in today's world? How about informed and inspired?
 Then mark your calendars for our second annual "Movies That Move You" film festival!
 This event is back by popular demand and it's one you won't want to miss.

March 8 : Wizard Mode (Autism Ontario)

A candid personal perspective on autism through the life of one of the world's greatest pinball players. Robert Gagno's real challenge lies outside the game on his journey to shed his youth and gain independence.

April 19: Girl Rising (World Vision)

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.

Location: Kingsway-Lambton United Church (Sanctuary)

85 The Kingsway, Toronto

Time: 7 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm) FREE ADMISSION



"Wizard Mode" on March 8

Join us for these riveting, enriching and thought provoking documentary films.

The films will be followed by a Q&A period with subject matter experts including representatives from Cyber-Seniors and Autism Ontario.

Your support is integral to keeping this grassroots initiative alive. Spread the word, invite a friend and tell your neighbours! Everyone is welcome.

A Retreat in the Midst of Daily Life Sunday, April 2 - Saturday, April 8

What is Guided Prayer?

To 'pray the scriptures' is to listen with an open heart as you read and pray upon Bible passages. It's to reflect during your daily 'retreat' time. You will be assigned a trained companion to meet with and share your daily journey.

How is the Course Structured?

- Opening session with the group: Sunday, April 2, 2-4 pm
- 30 minutes at home each day
- 30 minutes with your Companion each day
- Closing session with the group: Saturday, April 8, 9-11 am

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



How Do I Register?

Download the e-form from www.kingswaylambton.ca and submit it to office@kingswaylambton.ca; OR Complete the paper form and return to the church office

Getting Involved in the UCW

Rita MacDonald
UCW President

United Church Women (UCW) is an organization which provides Christian fellowship, friendship and mutual support for women in our church.

Through the work of the UCW, the women in our church are able to support their community.

The UCW oversees various fund raising events such as the Flea Market and Art Show. Our membership is very committed to supporting our local community. Through the funds we raise each year, we donate generously to local and some international charities. Some of the funds from these events are used to assist with the finances of the church.

UCW Council at Kingsway-Lambton United Church acts as the coordinating body for the UCW. This Council is made up of an executive and representatives from each of the six units. Each unit ranges in number between 10 to 35 members and ages vary from 40 to 80. The units meet once a month from September to June.

Get Involved

There are several ways to get involved. You could join a Unit where you know someone or you can attend meetings held by the different Units to find one that suits you best.

There are many benefits to joining the UCW. You can participate as much your schedule allows. Come to every meeting or activity, or come periodically just to enjoy an evening or afternoon with friends.

If you would like to join the UCW or to find out more about the group, contact the UCW President through the church office.

***Top:** UCW's Unit 8 enjoy a fun evening during a recent gathering.*

***Bottom Left:** Members of Unit 7 honed their Christmas table decoration skills last November.*

***Bottom Right:** Yum! Chef Daniel Urban Acorn Market shared a number of recipes with the UCW in October.*



Do you have good news to share?

Anniversaries, graduations, new members of the family...
we want to hear about it!

Contact Risa MacDonald at (416) 389-6614 or
risamacdonald@rogers.com



What's Changed?

In order to create a more peaceful, yet social, preparation for Sunday service, Kingsway-Lambton has made an adjustment to its pre-service announcements.

As of February 12, pre-service announcements are now shown on-screen only, and will not be read from the pulpit. This change has been fairly well received among congregants to date.

Our transition away from verbal announcements is based, in part, on feedback from congregants themselves, and will allow members more time for quiet reflection and/or time to greet each other as they gather for service.

More Details Please!

Pre-service announcements will be shown as part of a continuous loop for approximately 10 minutes prior to service. If you happen to miss a particular slide, don't worry It will be shown again!

If you, or your committee, wish to submit an announcement that people will view prior to service, please e-mail Alison Ryan at Alison@kingswaylambton.ca by Thursday afternoon. Alison will advise you on the preferred format for announcement slides. Should you wish to have your announcement shown on multiple Sundays, please contact her with an e-mail reminder.

As with most transitions, we expect there to be an adjustment period. Kindly bear with these changes and enjoy the pre-service!

A Miracle of God (*continued from p. 9)* Joy Crysdale

Many of you ask with loving attention, "How are they doing?" We can tell you they are doing very well. One can only imagine what this move has been like but they continue to be gracious, warm, fun to be with, and eager to learn Canadian ways.



The next stage of their journey will be to search for employment. This will be done with support from our excellent employment team, as well as an exploration of post-secondary education.

On behalf of all those working with the family, we thank the Kingsway-Lambton community for all it has done. Stay tuned for future updates!

Snap Shots from Christmas...

St. Nicholas Soiree

The Annual Kingsway-Lambton's Family Christmas dinner: Homemade



Open House Warms Holiday Hearts

In early December, Rev. Hugh and Ester Reid hosted their sixteenth annual Christmas open house to celebrate fellowship during the holiday season. Guests were treated



- The party was a great way to meet new members of the church and connect with long-time con-

Let Us Celebrate...YOU!



The Pastoral Care Committee has started to connect with members by honouring their birthday or anniversary with a card. We are currently using a list of dates which is not complete.

Please help us embrace all of you by letting us know the day and month of your birthday, anniversary, or other special milestone! The year is not required.

Please contact Margaret Pace at (416) 232-9397 or mjpace@sympatico.ca.

Recent Baptisms

This winter, Kingsway-Lambton welcomed the following children and their families into the community of God's love.



Henry William Hooper

Date of Birth: November 25, 2016
 Son of William Lee Hooper and
 Sarah Elizabeth (Charles) Hooper
 Godson of Jeffrey Charles and Emily Charles



Adam Pearson Pronski

Date of Birth: September 8, 2016
 Son of Michael Bartek Pronski and
 Amber Leigh Pearson
 Godson of Jennifer Sairclough and Anthony Sairclough

Upcoming Events: Spread the Word!

FLEA MARKET

Saturday, April 29

8 am - 1 pm

Join us for our giant annual flea market, and help benefit up to 20 charitable organizations. Bring a friend, browse the huge selection of donated items, and enjoy the BBQ and bake sale.

Volunteers are greatly needed to make this event a success. It's also a great way for young people to build their student volunteer hours! Strong arms/backs are needed to help pack up unsold books at the end of the event. Please contact Sharon Jorgens at (416) 606-3108 or e-mail sj@jorgens.ca if you can assist.



FRIDAY NIGHT TEEN DROP-IN

Friday Evenings

6:30 - 9:30 pm

Kingsway-Lambton Gymnasium

This drop in program continues to grow as teens hang out and enjoy fun activities like sports, musical jam sessions, devotionals and monthly outings. A great way to kick off the weekend!

E-mail klucyouth@gmail.com for details and check out our youth-based Instagram account using the handle "@kingswaylambton.teens."



EARLY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Friday Mornings

6 - 7 am

Starbucks at 2210 Bloor St W (east of Runnymede)

Looking for some early morning reflection? Swing by the Runnymede Starbucks (upper floor) for a supportive, small group bible study. Discussion focuses on Christian ethics through the parables.



Response to Quebec City Tragedy

On the evening of January 29, 2017, a heinous shooting took place upon members of the Centre Culturel Islamique Québec gathered inside Quebec City's largest mosque for their ritual prayer. Below is a statement from the moderator of the United Church of Canada in response to this tragedy.

To all of our Muslim brothers and sisters,

Our hearts overflow with sorrow for the victims of the shooting at the Centre Culturel Islamique de Québec last night. Shock and outrage mingle with our tears at this horrific act of terror perpetrated against innocent, faithful people. We are holding you all in our prayers at this most terrible time.

This heinous violent act and other recent attacks targeting Muslims in Quebec and elsewhere are designed to instill fear and division within and between our communities. We will not let this happen. The United Church of Canada stands with our Muslim neighbours. We share your grief, as we share your determination to stop the forces of hate that seek to divide and destroy us. Trusting in a compassionate and just God, we will resist fear and prejudice with love.



In love we reach out to you, our sisters and brothers, our fellow Canadians, to offer support and comfort. We open our hearts to you as we extend the hand of solidarity. We commit to redoubling our efforts to seek peace and justice for all peoples within and beyond Canada. We will work side by side with our neighbours of every faith and of no faith to heal the brokenness that fractures our communities and forge bonds of friendship and cooperation.

You are not alone. As people of faith across this country hold prayer vigils for the victims of the shooting and their families, know that you are embraced by the arms of love. May the Creator, Allah, God, who gives us our common humanity, give us the strength of spirit and will to walk in unity and love in these troubled times.

In peace and solidarity,
The Right Reverend Jordan Cantwell
Moderator, The United Church of Canada



Rev. Allan Logan

Dec. 31, 2016

Mrs. Bette Hanmer

Jan. 2, 2017