

On -The -Horizon Newsletter

Kemble-Sarawak,
Zion-Keppel
United Churches

Wed. Dec. 17th, 2025

Christmas Eve Candle Lit Service.

Wed. Dec. 24th at 7:00 p.m. We bid you welcome as we gather in awe and excitement to celebrate the birth of the King of Kings. Join us as we gather around the Advent Wreath and sing of the hope, peace, joy and love brought into the world and into our lives by the birth of the Prince of Peace. Don't miss the traditional candle lit "Silent Night" as we celebrate this holiest of nights.

Cash donations will go to Bruce Grey United Way: Utility Fund.

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Church Location:
crossroad of Kemble Rock
Road & Concession 20,
Kemble, ON N0H 1S0

**Worship Every
Sunday 10:30 a.m.**

Website: kszkunited.com

Rev. Heather McCarrel
Hours: Sun. – Thurs.
Pastoral Emergency?
Phone: 519-270-8545

Land Acknowledgement

We formally acknowledge the Territory of the Anishinabek Nation:
The People of the Three Fires known as Ojibway, Odawa, and
Pottawatomie Nations. And further give thanks to the Chippewas of
Saugeen, and the Chippewas of Nawash, known collectively as the
Saugeen Ojibway Nation, as the traditional keepers of this land.

Support the On-Going Ministry of Kemble-Sarawak United Church

1. PAR: Interested in being on PAR? Contact Mary Beth Gray (Treasurer) at kemblemt1@gmail.com
2. E-Transfer Donations: accepted at kemsarunited@gmail.com
3. Envelope Giving: weekly envelopes are available. Contact kszkunited@gmail.com
4. One Time Donation to: Kemble-Sarawak United Church 319940 Kemble Rock Road, Kemble ON N0H 1S0

A Note From The Minister

Sun. Dec. 14th Janice Hurst welcomed everyone into worship with a friendly hello and a copy of the weekly bulletin. There was an excitement in the air as folks gathered for worship prior to the Christmas Parade through Kemble. We began worship with the lighting of the Christ Candle and the sharing of announcements which included the crowning of the latest Bible Champ; congratulations to David Anderson! The choir shared a lovely Anthem followed by the Children's Conversation during which we blessed the many White Gifts of warm woolies and non-perishable foods. Thank you to all who were able to add to this year's donations to the Salvation Army in Wiarton.

After lighting the 3rd candle in the Advent Wreath Janice shared the scriptures and we spent time reflecting on what it means to be at the mid-point of this Season of Waiting. By the time the service ended the bright blue sky had been replaced with big fluffy snowflakes and we all headed back out into a winter wonderland.

As we head into the last couple of weeks of 2025 I wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas and a blessed New Year! We hope you can join us this Sunday as we light the last candle of Advent, the candle of Love. We will gather again for worship on Wed. Dec. 24th at 7:00 p.m. for our Christmas Eve service and again on Sunday Dec. 28th at 10:30 a.m. We hope you can join us!

This is the last OTH until January 1st, 2026.

Hope to see you Sunday,
Rev. Heather McCarrel



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May the miracle
of this season
fill you with
enough awe to
last a lifetime.

*"When they saw the star, they
were overjoyed." Mat 2:10*

**Merry Christmas,
Doug & Heather McCarrel**



Holding In Our Prayers

Holding you in our prayers and trusting
God will surround you with peace and
sustain you with love and care.

Roger & Virginia Martin
as Roger recuperates in
hospital following an
accident.

Islay Graham as she
recuperates from a
collapsed lung.

All those who are
carrying grief and
loneliness during this
holiday season



Advent Donations from KSZK United to the Salvation Army in Warton

173 PAIR OF SOCKS

26 GLOVES/MITTEN

4 ULTILITY GLOVES

5 HATS

1 SCARF &

BOXES OF
NON-PARISHABLES



We Need Someone To Deliver The Warm Woolies To the Warton Salvation Army

They are open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact Us At 519-270-8545/kszkunited@gmail.com



November's Bible Champ 2025

**With the use of a chair, Bob Grey,
Chair of the Board, crowned the
latest Bible Champ, David
Anderson.**

Congratulations David!!

The United Church of Canada



Hello Kemble-Sarawak, Zion-Keppel Pastoral Charge,

I would like to thank everyone at Kemble-Sarawak and Zion-Keppel Pastoral Charge for their gifts to Mission and Service. We are so grateful for your generosity, which transforms lives both in Canada and through our partners around the world.

**Thanks for your ministry, and Merry Christmas!
Rev. Brenna Baker (she/her)**

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Greeters

DEC. 21 JENNIFER GONDER
DEC. 24 KEROLYN MORAN
DEC. 28 JENNIFER GONDER
JAN 4 & 11, 2026 KATHIE HUGHES

Scripture Readers

DEC. 21 JENNIFER GONDER
DEC 24 KEROLYN MORAN, FRED PARSONS, LEANNE SUTHERLAND,
DEC. 28 JENNIFER GONDER
JAN. 4 & 11, 2026 FRED PARSONS

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

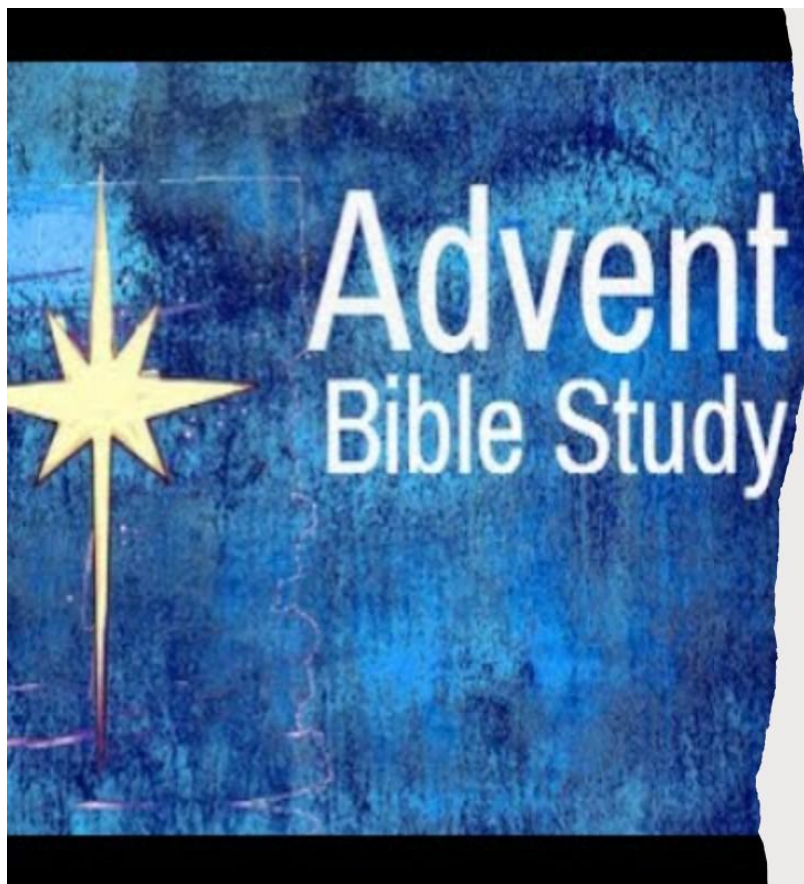
Jan. 11 Leanne Sutherland Sandy Barfoot Mary MacKenzie



Sun. Dec. 21
Advent 4
The Sunday of Love
10:30 a.m.

Kemble-Sarawak United Church





Advent Bible Study

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

In Search of the King Matthew 2:1-18

Compare and contrast the response of the religious leaders (vv4-6) to the response of the magi (vv7-12).

The response of the Magi and Herod are typical of the ways people respond to Jesus today. Describe some different responses to Jesus you have witnessed.

What factors might cause people to respond to Jesus in radically different ways?

God is the unseen actor throughout the chapter. In what ways can we see his behind-the-scene actions (vv6,15)?

All Are Welcome

Sunday Dec. 28th, 2025
10:30 A.M.

The Story Continues....

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The December 2025 Calendar at KSZK United

please contact Kerolyn Moran at kerolynmoran@hotmail.com

Sun. Dec. 21st: Kemble-Sarawak Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
 Zion-Keppel's Worship Service: 1:00 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 22nd: Advent #4 Bible Study: 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Dec. 24th: Christmas Eve Service: 7:00 p.m.
Sun. Dec. 28th: Kemble-Sarawak United's Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

Announcements

Pastoral Care: Rev. Heather works 26.4 hours weekly for KSZK United from Sun. to Thurs. and can be reached at 519-270-8545/revhmccarrel@rogers.com.

UCW Fundraiser: Tru Earth Orders: is now linked to its sister company Eco-Collective (new link as of June 2025): <https://tru-earth.sjv.io/KSUCW>

Milk Bag Collection: When bringing in your milk bags please ensure that they are placed CLEAN, FLAT and RIGHT SIDE OUT in the box in the basement. Many thanks!!

United Church's E-ssentials Newsletter Dec. 2nd , 2025:

<https://mailchi.mp/united-church/e-ssentials-4754931?e=c486cd077b>

Congratulations
To All Who Completed
the 2025 Challenge to
Read The New
Testament In A Year!



2025 Kemble Lion's Club Christmas Parade

Great Community Spirit!



CHANGE IS COMING

Changes To On-The-Horizon (OTH) Newsletter in 2026

Starting Jan. 1st , 2026 we will see some exciting changes to the OTH. One significant change will be the OTH becoming a monthly newsletter instead of a weekly newsletter. This change will help Rev. Heather in the sharing of her time with other aspects of the ministry of KSZK United.

If you have announcements for the January edition of the OTH please have them into kszkunited@gmail.com by noon on December 29th, 2025

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