

St. Matthew's Church, Windsor, Ontario  
"We are called to share God's love  
as we welcome and care for our community"  
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December 21, 2014

**The Fourth Sunday of Advent**

*Presider:* The Rev'd Andreas Thiel  
*Deacon:* The Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick  
*Organist:* Michael Ricketts

Prelude: A Christmas Pastorale (C. Callahan)

Processional Hymn: # 89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (v.1,5,6,7)

The Gathering of the Community..... p.185

Collect of the Day

Children's Focus

Lighting of the Advent Wreath – the Henderson family

Response: **Lord, come and save us**

**The Proclamation of the Word**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Canticle 18: Luke 1:47-55

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

Reflection

**The Christmas Pageant**

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The Prayers of the People Response - **Lord, hear our prayer**

Confession and Absolution.....p. 191

The Greeting of Peace

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

Offertory: #117 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

**The Great Thanksgiving**

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#735 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

#737 Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread: #5 ..... p. 212  
    *Celebrant*    God of promise,  
                    you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.  
    *All*            **Happy are those who are called**  
                    **to the supper of the lamb**

#747 Jesus, Lamb of God

Communion Procession: God Shall Gather In (T. Alonso) – see insert

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Parish Announcements

Recessional Hymn: # 91 People, Look East! The Time is Near

Postlude: How Brightly Shines the Morning Star (V. Klauss)

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**Welcome visitors** – We are blessed you are with us. Please let us know how we can serve you. If you desire, there are “Visitor’s envelopes” on the table in the narthex (foyer) for your use.

**Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:**

**Cantors:** Nicole Sussens, Danielle Richer, Beth Felet

**Clarinet:** Gordon Drake      **Server:** Matt Bulley

**Collection Supervisor:** Andy Hahn      **Intercessor:** Andy Hahn

**Lectors:** Vicky Parashak, Dianna Iannicello

**Sidespersons:** Chuck Boyd, Pat Lown, Bob Kissau, Shirley Cattle

**Communion Ministers:** Jen McAlpine, Dennis Bernard, Josh Canty

**Fellowship Hour Ministers** Jen McAlpine

**Marlborough Serving Team:** No cooking this week. Have a restful Christmas break!

**Upcoming Christmas Services:**

Christmas Eve – 7 pm Eucharist

Christmas Day – 10 am Eucharist

**Wednesday Morning Scripture Group** – each Wednesday at 10 am. We gather informally, to engage the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. Please consider joining us for this special time together – All are welcome!

**NOTE: no sessions on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31; sessions will resume on Wednesday, January 7, 2015.**

**Contacting Rev'd Andreas** - if you have a concern of any kind that you would like to discuss with Rev'd Andreas please call him at 226-345-5085 to arrange a time to get together for a conversation.

**People who are ill and/or in hospital** – If you know of someone who is in hospital, please let either Rev. Andreas or Rev. Cathy (519 966 5729) know so that they might have a pastoral visit from the clergy.

**Outreach Ministries** – Remember your gifts to Hiatus House, the Downtown Mission, the Marlborough Breakfast Programs, and the ministry to the Windsor Jail.

**Please pick up in the Narthex:** “The Journey” and the Wardens Christmas letter with Christmas and “Gift to the Rector” envelopes. Note that the “Gift to the Rector” is not a charitable donation, and will not be recorded on your official income tax receipt for 2014.

**Talent Show and Pot Luck** – St. Matthew’s 5<sup>th</sup> annual Pot Luck & Talent Show is Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>. Dinner is at 5 pm, the talent portion of the evening starts around 6:30. Please sign up to share your talent with your church family. This event is well attended and so much fun. If you have any questions, please contact Jen McAlpine or John Rossi.



**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

**IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES by:**

Helen Cahill  
Frank & Joan Geml  
Pat & Peter Lown  
Sue & Alan Trenhaile  
Helen Jones for Stan Jones.  
Joan Mallender for Dave Mallender  
Lynn, Jeff, Kate & Sam Allsop for Elaine Douglas  
Diane & John Iannicello for Sam & Anna Ikonov & Joe & Jane Iannicello  
Linda & Shawn McDonald for Shirley & Greg Cody, Audrey & Ernie McDonald, Ken Hansen & Lynn Rene  
Katie & Andy, Max & Ella Hahn for our Mother & Grandma Andria Hahn  
Ruth & David Freeman by their family  
Wally & Myrna Atkinson for Jeff Atkinson

**AS A THANKOFFERING by:**

Savva Family  
Cathy & Kim MacKendrick  
Margaret Jemison  
Margaret & Dalt Snelling for the improvement of Linda's health  
Florence & Ladd Ritchie for our wonderful life as a family  
Mary Louise & Gordon Drake for family, friends, life & God

Beverly Chantler  
Nada Gorges  
Gwen & Paul Allsop