***St. Matthew’s Church, Windsor, Ontario***

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November 15, 2020

***Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost***

Presider: The Rev'd Andreas Thiel Deacon: The Rev’d Cathy MacKendrick

Deacon: The Rev'd Glenda Fisher Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts

Prelude: O God, My Faithful God (J. Brahms)

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and

The fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Almighty God,

People **to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you**

**No secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by**

**the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly**

**love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Presider Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God , now and for ever. **Amen**

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18

Psalm 90: 1-8, 12 (*congregation reads bold text*)

Lord, you have been our refuge

**from one generation to another.**

Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born,

**from age to age you are God.**

You turn us back to the dust and say,

**“Go back, O child of earth.”**

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday

when it is past

**and like a watch in the night.**

You sweep us away like a dream;

**we fade away suddenly like the grass.**

In the morning it is green and flourishes;

**In the evening it is dried up and withered.**

For we consume away in your displeasure;

**we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.**

Our iniquities you have set before you,

**and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

So teach us to number our days

**that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

Gospel: Matthew 25: 1- 14-30

 Homily  *(10:00 am, Lay Delegate’s Report from Synod)*

Apostles’ Creed

Presider Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

 **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

 **He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit**

 **and born of the Virgin Mary.**

 **He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,**

 **and was buried.**

 **He descended to the dead.**

 **On the third day he rose again.**

 **He ascended into heaven,**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

 **He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

 **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,**

 **the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the**

 **resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Confession and Pardon

Presider Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins, confident in God’s forgiveness.

Presider Most merciful God,

People **we confess that we have sinned against you**

 **in thought, word, and deed,**

 **by what we have done,**

 **and by what we have left undone.**

 **We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

 **we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

 **We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

 **For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

 **have mercy on us and forgive us,**

 **that we may delight in your will,**

 **and walk in your ways,**

 **to the glory of your name. Amen.**

PresiderAlmighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you

 from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

 and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Offertory Anthem (10:00 am) – Come Follow Me Forever (P. Lieberger)

*(note: the collection plates remain at the back of the church*

*for the duration of the service)*

Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider We give you thanks and praise, almighty God …...

 ... we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

 **Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

 **Hosanna in the highest.**

 **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

 **Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider Holy and gracious God, accept our praise...

... All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Presider We break this bread, to share in the body of Christ.

All **We, being many, are one body,**

 **for we all share in the one bread.**

Communion Procession (10:00): The Living Bread of God (K. Cuddy)

Prayer after Communion & Blessing

Parish Announcements

Dismissal *(we depart the church by way of the centre aisle beginning with the pews in the rear)*

Postlude: Sonata No. 3, Con Moto Maestoso (F. Mendelssohn)

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The Flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Thomas C. Drake, father of Gordon Drake,

by Gordon and Mary Louise Drake."

The Flowers on the organ are given to the glory of God in memory of all who served their country in WWI and WWII."

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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.

**Would You Like a Pastoral Visit?** – Please contact Rev'd Andreas (519-969-1510, church; 226- 345-5085, cell).

**People Who Are Ill and/or in Hospital** – If you know of someone who is in hospital, please let our clergy or churchwardens know so that they might have a pastoral visit.

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

**Ushers:** Mike Herrington, Sandy & Hilton Gomes, Bob Braidford

**Lector:** Carol Caverzan

**Cantors:** Jane Patterson, Richard Postovit

**Collection Supervisor**: John Rossi

**Marlborough Breakfast Ministers for this week: Muffins**: Sue Trenhaile & Pat Lown **Delivery:** Danielle Richer

**Scripture readings for Sunday, November 22, 2020** : Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Ps 100; Matthew 25: 31-46

**Community Announcements**

**Outreach Ministries** – Remember your gifts to Hiatus House, our Food Cupboard, the Marlborough Breakfast Program, and the ministry to the Southwest Detention Centre.

**Communion Bread and Pastoral Visit** - We have 13 loaves of communion bread lingering in the freezer and we need the space for the meat pies. For the modest donation of $5 (for the roof fund!), Andreas will personally deliver a loaf at your house. Interested? Please contact Andreas to make arrangements.

Our **WFMP** are here! Yes, our **W**orld **F**amous **M**eat **P**ies otherwise known as Tourtières are here – and the only way you can get them is by placing an order. Payment options are by e-transfers, cheques or cash.

To place your order, please contact Sue Trenhaile (519) 972-6820, or email susantrenhaile@hotmail.com

 To pick up your order, please call Danielle Richer (519)972-9058 or email madricher@yahoo.com

We have lots of pies available. Tell your friends about them. Spread the word. Thanks.

**Anglican Church Wall Calendars** – are now available, priced at $10 each. Please speak with Rev. Glenda to purchase for yourself, or as a Christmas gift.

**St. Matthew’s “Talk Exchange”** begins on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 7pm. Participants can join by using their computers/devices (Zoom platform) or phoning in. Learn interesting things from your fellow parishioners, and ask questions to encourage a fun conversation. For more information, speak with Rev. Andreas.

**Assumption University** will host The Hon. Senator Murray Sinclair for a special online lecture: “Christian and Indigenous People Can Co-exist”. Tues. Dec. 1 at 7 pm, livestreamed at: [www.assumptionu.ca/senatorsinclair](http://www.assumptionu.ca/senatorsinclair)

Children’s Aid Society – faces challenges this year, because of pandemic disruptions. St. Matthew’s will not be having our usual appeal for donated gifts, but we invite everyone to consider making donations directly to the Children’s Aid. For more information, call 519-252-1171, ext. 3210 or visit [www.wecaf.on.ca](http://www.wecaf.on.ca)