

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 24, 2021

The Birth of the Lord: Christmas Eve

Presider: The Rev'd Andreas Thiel
Deacon: The Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick
Deacon: The Rev'd Glenda Fisher
Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts

Prelude: Allemande from Pastorale in F Major (JS Bach)

Processional: O Come, All Ye Faithful (see song sheet)

Words of Welcome

Hymn of Praise: Angels We Have Heard On High

Blessing of the Christmas Crèche

Collect for Christmas

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Psalm 96

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Homily

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People

Response: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Confession and Pardon

The Peace

Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory Hymn: Away in a Manger(Blue Book #126)

*(note: the collection plates remain at the back of the church
for the duration of the service)*

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Lamb of God (sung) *Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us... grant us peace.*

** Please indicate if you require a gluten-free communion wafer*

Communion Procession: Gesu Bambino (P. Yon)

***Please take a candle with you before returning to your seat*

Post-Communion Hymn: Silent Night(Blue book p. 119)

Prayer after Communion & Blessing

Recessional Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing(Blue Book #138)

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

Postlude: Joy to the World (D. Cherwien) (4 pm)

Away in a Manger (Mitchell-Wallace/Head) (7 pm)

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Welcome visitors – we are blessed you are with us for this
Christmas service. Please join us again in the future.
We wish you a blessed Christmas season!

Christmas Services:

Christmas Day: Sun. Dec 25: 10 am

The Naming of Jesus: Sun. Jan 1: 8:30 & 10:00 am

The Epiphany: Friday, January 6: 7pm (An Epiphany Pageant, with fellowship afterwards in the Parish Hall)

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Lector: 7 pm – Vicki Paraschak

Intercessor: 7 pm – Louise Davis

Cantor: 4 pm – John Rossi

7 pm – Beth Felet, Grace Lavoy, Laura Lavoy, Jody Ness, Jane Patterson, Danielle Richer, Carol Caverzan

Trumpet: Beth Felet (7 pm)



*THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS
ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD*

And in Memory of Loved Ones by

Sue & Alan Trenhaile

Dianna Iannicello for: John Iannicello, Saskia Iannicello, Joseph & Janet Iannicello, Sam & Anna Ikonov

Frank & Joan Geml

Lorraine Souchuk for Romeo Robitaille

Fran Wilkinson

Mike Ricketts

Mary Davis

Victoria Paraschak for Mike, Fred, Anna & Walter Paraschak, Edna & John Cunningham, Don & Winnifred

Sykes

Andreas Thiel for Anya Laurence-Thiel

Nadine Donlon for Mark Donlon

Deb French for Cheryl French & Shirley Addeman

And as a Thank Offering by

Helen Cahill

Ladd & Florence Ritchie for our 3 sons, Scott, Glenn & Todd, and their wonderful families!

Jean Muhleisen for God's love and faithfulness

Flora Smith for Loved Ones – daughter, husband

Savva Family

Marg Jemison

Art Youngson

Peter & Pat Lown

Cathy MacKendrick