St. Matthew's Anglican Church



"We are called to share God's love as we welcome and care for our community."

Address:

St. Matthew's Anglican Church 1600 Norfolk St. Windsor, Ontario N9E 1H5

Sunday Servíces

8:30 am said of Holy Eucharist 10:00 am Holy Eucharist with the Choir

Fellowship Hour to follow

The Rev'd Gilles Haché is in office or by appointment.

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 21, 2024



Curate: The Reverend Gilles Haché Deacon: The Reverend Cathy MacKendrick Deacon: The Reverend Glenda Fisher Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts

"With gratitude for all stewards of the land, we acknowledge that the St. Matthew's community gathers on the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomie."

Please Note: Free-will offerings may be placed in the collection plate at the rear of the church.

Prelude: Pastorale (C. Wesley) Processional: All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Blue Book #349

The Gathering of the Community

Green Book p. 185

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!
Presider: May his grace and peace be with you.
All: May he fill our hearts with joy.
Presider: Almighty God,
All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known ... Amen.
Glory to God - Gloria Green Book p. 186
Collect of the Day Green Book p. 339

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12 Psalm: #23 Green Book p. 731 Second Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 The Gospel: John 10:11-18 Homily Anthem: You Know I Am Always with You (M. Snowdon) The Apostles' Creed Green Book p.189 Prayers of the People **Response: Led by the Choir Confession and Absolution** Green Book p.191 The Peace Offertory Hymn: Like a Shepherd Glory & Praise #35 2

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer Over the Gifts Green Book p. 339 Eucharistic Prayer # 2 Green Book p. 196 The Lord's Prayer Green Book p. 211 The Breaking of the Bread #8 Green Book p. 213 Presider Lord, we died with you on the cross. Now we are raised to new life. All: Presider: We were buried in your tomb. All: Now we share in your resurrection. Presider: Live in us, that we may live in you.

Lamb of God

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

Communion: Heart of a Shepherd (R. Cooney) Prayer After Communion Green Book p. 340 Doxology Green Book p.214 Parish Announcements Recessional: Your Hand, O God, Has Guided Blue Book #444, verses 1,2, & 5 Postlude: Choral Song (S.S. Wesley)

The Easter flowers are given to the Glory of God, and as dedicated by the St. Matthew's Families

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 at the back

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Danielle Richer, Richard Postovit, Beth Felet Lector: Helen Johnson Intercessor: Virginia Whittal Communion Ministers: Davny & Luiz Montebello Collection Supervisor: Mark Goldspink Sidespersons: Melissa Bratt, Louise Davis Church Nurse (by appointment): Mary Louise Drake Marlborough Breakfast Programme: Vicky Paraschak,

Patty Paraschak, Davny Montebello, Jean Muhleisen. Making Muffins: Patty Paraschak

Next Sunday's Readings, April 28, 2024:	
Acts 8:26-40	Ps. 22:24-30
1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8

Community Announcements

10th Annual Deanery of Essex Golf Tournament and Dinner – St. Matthew's is hoping to bring home the trophy for the THIRD year in a row!!! SAVE THE DATE! **Friday, June 14, 2024, and NEW** this year, all happening at Wildwood Golf Club & RV Resort 11112 11th Concession, Essex, Ont. Check in 10:00am, shotgun start at 11:00am. Cocktails at 3:00pm, dinner at 4:00pm. The fee of \$140.00 per golfer includes: 18 holes with a power cart, hot dog & pop on the course, and prizes and a buffet chicken dinner with dessert & coffee at the course banquet hall. Dinner only \$50.00 per person. Also, raffle prizes and a 50/50 draw. All registrations and fees for both golfers, and dinner-only guests, due by June 4, 2024. Please see or call Deb French (226-280-7272.) All proceeds going to our Deanery of Essex.

Easter Newsletter – Hard copies of *The Journey* are available in the narthex, or download the PDF version in full colour from our website.

Lobster Dinner (or Chicken & Ribs) Mother's Day Celebration – Saturday, May 11, 2024. Doors open at 5 pm, dinner served at 5:30 pm. Tickets \$65 per person (only a few left!), include: fresh Maritimes lobster (**or** chicken & ribs), salad, roasted potatoes, mac'n'cheese, slaw, maple glazed vegetables, and rolls & butter. Also, cash bar and silent auction. For tickets and more information, contact Rev'd Gilles at 519-259-2420 or stmatthewswindsor@diohuron.org

Reflection for the week:

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says that he is "the good shepherd" and that he "lays down his life for his sheep." What does this often-heard expression mean? **"Jesus, shepherd of all humanity...**" We must not stop at just words. We cannot forget that this good shepherd is the one who gives his life for his friends. This gospel takes us back to our life. Yes, we sing and proclaim "Jesus, shepherd of all humanity". **But we must not stop at just words.** The important thing is to truly welcome Christ and give him first place in all of our lives.

Like him, we are led to leave our sheepfolds to meet others. Being a disciple of Christ is a great adventure; It's not easy. By reading this gospel, we must take a further step. Jesus our Shepherd entrusts us to one another.

On this day, we pray to you Lord: Make us recognize your voice among the noises of the world. Your Word reveals to us the path that leads to you. Grant us to welcome it and keep it so that it transforms our lives and those of others. Amen.

Blessings,

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