



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
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Sunday Services

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

Fellowship Hour to follow

Weekday Services

Wednesdays in Lent 11:30 am

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

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The Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026



Rector: The Reverend Gilles Haché

Liturgical Musician: Michael Ricketts

Lay Reader: Nadine Donlon

"With gratitude for all stewards of the land, past, present and future, we acknowledge that the St. Matthew's community gathers on the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa – keepers of the faith; the Odawa – keepers of trade; and the Potawatomie – keepers of the fire."

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

Prelude: Chaconne (J. Pachelbel)

Processional: Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

Blue Book #361

The Gathering of the Community

Green Book p. 185

Lord Have Mercy and Absolution

Collect of the Day

Green Book p. 289

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm: # 95

Green Book p. 833

Refrain: O that today we would hearken to your voice: harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

The Gospel: John 4:5-42

Homily

Anthem: Lord, Be With Us on This Day (J. Althouse)

The Apostles' Creed

Green Book p.189

Prayers of the People

Response: Lord, have mercy

The Peace

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Blue Book #354

Prayer Over the Gifts

Green Book p. 290

Eucharistic Prayer #2

Green Book p. 196

The Lord's Prayer

Green Book p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread #7

Green Book p. 212

Lamb of God

Communion Procession: Take, O Take Me as I Am

(Bell/Alonso/Huck)

Prayer After Communion

Green Book p. 290

Doxology

Green Book p. 214

Recessional Hymn: Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery

Blue Book #179 (verses 1,2,5,6d)

Postlude: Fantasia in E Minor (J.S. Bach)

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Welcome visitors – we are blessed you are with us.

Please let us know how we can serve you.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: John Rossi, Laura Lavoy, Jane Patterson, Beth Felet

Lectors: Dianne Iannicello, Gary Johnson

Intercessor: Sharon Branch

Communion Ministers: Alisa Yednoroz, John Riddle

Collection Supervisor: Louise Davis

Sidespersons: Pat Lown, Jeannie Hopkins

Church Nurse (by appointment): Mary Louise Drake

Marlborough School Breakfast: Cooks: Jeannie Hopkins, Ian Musgrave, Brenda Horvath, Judith Lester. **Muffins:** Nadine Donlon, Ann Hucal.

Next Sunday's Readings, March 15, 2026 – 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Ps 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41.

Community Announcements

Lent Newsletter – Hard copies are available at the back, or download full-colour PDF file at <http://www.saintmatthewswindsor.ca>.

Soup lunches for Sundays in Lent – Sign up for: donations of a pot of soup or bread and butter, to prepare hot beverages, or set up and cleaning. And join us for soup during fellowship time after the 10 am service, every Sunday in Lent. Free-will offerings in support of Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF.)

Community Breakfast - Tuesday, March 10, at 9 am in the church hall. Free-will donations gratefully accepted. Everyone is welcome!

This Sunday, Psalm 95 is both an invitation and a warning. It is also a gentle call to draw near to God with open hearts. It begins with joy: a summons to sing, to give thanks, to recognize that we belong to a God who formed the depths of the earth and holds the heights of the mountains. But the psalm quickly shifts tone. It urges us not to harden our hearts, as past generations did when they doubted God’s care. This movement, from praise to honesty, just mirrors our own spiritual lives. We come before God with gratitude, yet we also carry fears, frustrations, and places where trust feels difficult. Lent invites us to bring all of that into the light. For St. Matthew’s, this psalm speaks directly to our mission: “We are called to share God’s love as we welcome and care for our community.” We cannot share God’s love if we are guarded, distracted, or resistant to His voice. Psalm 95 reminds us that the first act of welcome is the welcome we extend to God Himself — the willingness to let Him speak, guide, and soften what has grown rigid within us. As we continue our Lenten journey, Psalm 95 invites us to pause, to listen, and to let God renew the places within us that have grown tired or resistant.

Objectives for Our Parish This Week

1. To listen more intentionally for God’s voice in prayer and daily life.
2. To soften any areas of resistance, frustration, or spiritual fatigue.
3. To welcome God’s presence so we can better welcome others.
4. To let our mission flow from a heart grounded in worship and trust.

**Blessings to you and yours,
Gilles+**

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