## St. Matthew's Anglican Church

www.saintmatthewswindsor.ca (519)969-1510

March 16, 2014





Deacon: The Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick

Organist: Michael Ricketts

Prelude: Voluntary in E Minor (J. Stanley)

Processional: #361 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

The Gathering of the Community

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Children's Focus

#### The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

Psalm #121 (Johnston)

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Homily

Anthem: God So Loved the World (E. Englert)

Prayers of the People Response – Lord, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution: Make Us Turn to You (P. Inwood)

#### The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offering Hymn: G&P, # 58 Yahweh, the Faithful One

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer # 4. p. 201

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread: #7 .....p. 213

*Presider:* We break this bread.

All: Communion in Christ's body once broken.

Presider: Let your Church be the wheat

which bears its fruit in dying.

All: If we have died with Him, we shall live with Him;

if we hold firm, we shall reign with Him.



Communion Procession: Take, O Take Me as I Am (Bell/Alonso/Huck)

Recessional Hymn: # 524 O Christ, the Great Foundation

Postlude: Rondo (H. Purcell)

**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.

# The Lenten greens in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God.

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

Cantors: Jane Patterson, Richard Postovit, Margaret Kissau, Beth Felet

Lectors: Matt Bulley, Gaby Savva Clarinet: Gordon Drake

Servers: Matt Bulley, Miranda Canty

Sidespersons: Patti Weir, Josh Canty, Marie & Ron Darrach Communion Ministers: J. McAlpine; D. Bernard; J. Canty

Intercessor: Ann Hucal

Collection Supervisor: John Rossi

Hospitality: Mary Lou Drake and Margaret Jemison

**Marlborough School Breakfast Program** – Janice Johnson, Linda McDonald, Cathy MacKendrick; muffins made by Janet Williams.

**Scripture readings for Sunday, March 23, 2014** – Exodus 17:1-7; Ps. 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

**Upcoming Sunday's scripture readings** – Please consider coming to St. Matthew's on Wednesday at 10:00 am, for a weekly opportunity to engage in conversation about the upcoming Sunday's scripture readings.

**Wednesday evening sessions in Lent** ("Our Story, Our Calling") – will be offered on March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm. All are welcome.

**Easter Flower Envelopes** – The envelopes are in the pews. Write your message as you would like to see printed in the bulletin. Forward them with your payment (<u>cash only please</u>) to Gwen Allsop.

**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.

**Forward Day by Day** – the latest edition of this is available on the table in the Narthex – small donations are appreciated.

Out of the Cold Ministry – for the homeless at the Downtown Mission. Please see the form in the Parish Hall for opportunities to participate.

**Windsor Jail Ministry** – looking for: paperback books, Sudoku & Find-A-Word puzzle books, dictionaries, colouring books, non-toxic crayons, dice, jigsaw puzzles (100-300 pieces), decks of cards, unused greeting cards—valentines, birthday, anniversary, thinking of you & blank. We will be purchasing stamps. Thanks for your support of this valuable ministry.

**Renew** – St. Matthew's will be hosting interested individuals from across Essex Deanery, on Saturday, March 22, from 10am until 3 pm. We will hear from RENEW advisor, Amanda Gellman, to learn about important aspects of this diocesan initiative. If you are interested in attending please speak with Andreas.

**Craft Guild Weekend** —will be held Friday March 21st from 6-9 pm and Saturday March 22nd from 10 am to 2 pm. Due to a previous commitment at the church, <u>this time only</u> it will be held at the home of Beth Felet, 764 D'Andrea Court. A map will be available in the Narthex, or you can call Beth at 519-969-3035 for directions. Come on out and have a great time - don't forget, you don't have to be crafty; you just need to have a willing heart and hands!

**Soup's on!** – St. Matthew's is looking for your favourite soup recipes. Submit them by email to Sandra Hall (<a href="mailto:shalljeffrey@cogeco.ca">shalljeffrey@cogeco.ca</a>) or deposit them in the box in the narthex (please make sure your printing/writing is legible so that we don't get it wrong). **We will be publishing a cookbook so that the St. Matthew's family can all enjoy our tasty soups.** For legal reasons, if your recipe is directly from another cookbook, please alter it in some way (add another seasoning, etc.) to make it your own. Deadline for submissions is April 30, 2014.

**Update from Parish Council** – January was a difficult month for the parish finances; we spent over an additional \$1,100 on snow removal and salting. Donations in the month (\$8,950) were below our average monthly budget of \$11,000, finishing January with a deficit of \$2,782. Our meetings are usually held the second Wednesday of the month, starting at 7:30 pm in the choir room, and everybody is welcome to attend (please note that, only for this month, our meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of the month, due to School March Break). **Next meeting: March 19**.