St. Matthew's Church, Windsor, Ontario

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November 26, 2023

The Reign of Christ

We gather for worship on the traditional lands of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, which includes the Ojibwa, the Odawa, and the Potawatomie

Presider: The Rev'd Gayle Rawlings

Deacon: The Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick

Deacon: The Rev'd Glenda Fisher

Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts

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

Prelude: Pastorale (S. Karg-Elert)

Processional: We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise (Kirk Dearman)

Gathering of the Community (Green Book p. 185)

Hymn of Praise: Rejoice, the Lord Is King (Blue Book #379)

Collect of the Day Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Psalm: 100 (Green Book p. 838)

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Homily

Anthem: Christ, We See You (K. Medema)

Nicene Creed (Green Book p.188)

Prayers of the People Response will be led by the choir.

Closing Prayers

Confession and Absolution (Green Book p.191)

The Peace

Offertory: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (Blue Book #585)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #3 (Green Book, p. 198)

The Lord's Prayer (Green Book p.211)

The Breaking of the Bread #2

Lamb of God

Communion Procession: Heart of a Shepherd

Prayer after Communion

Parish Announcements

Recessional: You Are Salt for the Earth (Blue Book #502)

Postlude: Tune for a Trumpet (G. Martin)

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.

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of my parents Sam & Anna Ikonov by Dianne Iannicello.

Scripture readings for Sunday December 3, 2023 – 1st of Advent YEAR B Isaiah 64:1-9 Ps. 80:1-7, 16-18 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Beth Felet, Danielle Richer Lector: Jane Buttery

Communion Ministers: Carol Caverzan, Ted Felet

Intercessor: Jen McAlpine Sidespersons: Cora and Bob Braidford

Collection Supervisor: Nadine Donlon Church Nurse: Mary Louise Drake

Fellowship Hour: Bill and Ginny McAdam, Catherine Hillman

Marlborough Breakfast Programme - Audrey and Mark Goldspink, Sue

Trenhaile Cooks Muffins: Audrey Goldspink

Community Announcements

CONGRATULATIONS to our Rev. Glenda on the occasion of her 10th Anniversary of Ordination. Please join us in the church hall after today's 10 am service to share in her celebration cake!



Please remember your support to the **Angel Tree Program** for Christmas gifts for the children of incarcerated parents, see Rev. Glenda for details.

Also, the **Children's Aid Society's Adopt-A-Family** program. The tree in the Narthex has ornaments with the requested items - pick an ornament, purchase the item, bring it back and deposit it in the box beside the tree. All gifts are to be *unwrapped* so that the parents can do this themselves. Feel free to include wrapping paper, tape, and tags. Please have all gifts back to the church by December 10th as they need to be sent on their way to the CAS by the 13th.

From Our Chancel Guild – Christmas Flowers – The envelopes for our Christmas flowers are in the pews. Please include your offering (cash only, suggested donations \$10 to \$20), then fill out with your dedication and name(s). Place in the collection plate during services, **no later than December** 3. Due to increasing prices, **Weekly Flowers** are now \$50 for two bouquets in the Sanctuary, and \$40 for one bouquet by the organ. Please write your dedication and name(s) in the book in the narthex, where you will find envelopes; take one envelope, fill out, include your donation (cash only), and place in the collection plate during services, at least one week before your date. Thank you