



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

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

Fellowship Hour to follow

Wednesday Services

11:00 am said Holy Eucharist

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

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The Reign of Christ Sunday, November 24, 2024



Curate: The Reverend Gilles Haché
Deacon: The Reverend Cathy MacKendrick
Deacon: The Reverend Glenda Fisher
Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts
Guest Presider: The Reverend Mark Wilton

"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: Lyric Prelude (C. Callahan)

Processional: Crown Him with Many Crowns Blue Book #378

The Gathering of the Community

Green Book p. 185

Glory to God - Gloria

Green Book p. 186

Collect of the Day

Green Book p. 394

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Psalm # 132:1-13

Green Book p. 889

Second Reading: Rev. 1:4b-8

The Gospel: John 18:33-37

Homily

Anthem: Arise and Shine Forth (S. Deford)

The Nicene Creed

Green Book p.188

Prayers of the People

Please follow the choir: O God, hear us, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution

Green Book p.191

The Peace

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory: The Head That Once Was Crowned Blue Book #491

Prayer Over the Gifts

Green Book p. 394

Eucharistic Prayer #3

Green Book p. 198

The Lord's Prayer

Green Book p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread #4 Green Book p. 212
Presider: “I am the bread which has come down from heaven,”
says the Lord.

***All:* Give us this bread for ever.**

Presider: “I am the vine, you are the branches.”

***All:* May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

Lamb of God

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

Communion: Within the Reign of God (M. Haugen)

Prayer After Communion Green Book p. 395

Doxology Green Book p. 214

Parish Announcements

Recessional: The Kingdom of God Is Justice and Joy

Blue Book #631

Postlude: Trumpet Tune (C. Callahan)

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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

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in memory of my parents, Sam & Anna Ikonov,
with love by Dianne Iannicello

Next Sunday’s Readings, December 1, 2024 – Jer. 33:14-16;
Ps. 25:1-9; 1 Thess. 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantor: Jane Patterson

Clarinet: Gordon Drake

Lectors: Carol Caverzan, Jen McAlpine

Intercessor: Sharon Branch

Communion Ministers: Bill McAdam, Rod Reid

Collection Supervisor: Roger Wurdemann

Sidespersons: Cora & Bob Braidford

Church Nurse (by appointment): Mary Louise Drake

Marlborough School Breakfast this week: Cooks: Sue Trenhaile, Gilles Haché, Davny Montebello; **muffins:** Gail Henderson

Community Announcements

Christmas Flower Dedication Envelopes – Available by the collection plate. Place your donation (cash or cheque to St. Matthew's Church) in the envelope, fill out the information on the front, and place envelope in the collection plate during services, **no later than Sunday, December 1.**

Adopt-A-Family Tree - The Children's Aid Society will focus on gifts to the children in the family this year. Tags for our 2 families are now on the tree in the Narthex. To participate: 1) take a tag, 2) purchase the item, 3) attach the tag to the unwrapped gift (feel free to include wrapping materials), 4) place it in the appropriate box with the number indicated on your tag **NO LATER than Dec 9**, for timely packing and delivery.

PFC's (Prison Fellowship Canada's) Angel Tree Christmas – This program facilitates the delivery of Christmas gifts to children on behalf of incarcerated parents. **Sign up with Rev'd Glenda (coordinator).**

Roast Beef & Chicken Dinner - Sat, Nov 30, 5:30 PM. \$30 adults, \$15 students/children. **RSVP no later than this Wednesday, November 27.**

Windsor Symphony Orchestra at St. Matthew's - Handel's Messiah, Saturday, December 7, at 7:30 pm. Purchase your tickets online at: <https://www.windsorsymphony.com/event/handels-messiah-windsor-st-matthews/>. After the concert, refreshments in the hall, served by St. Matthew's.

Reflection for the Week Sunday, November 24, 2024

To properly end the cycle of the Liturgical Year, today we celebrate 'The Reign of Christ', also called the Feast of Christ the King. It must be understood that this is not the kingdom of royalty, monarchy, absolutism, or arbitrary power in the hands of a single person. What we celebrate is the One in his entire life, from his birth to his death, appeared as the opposite of a king, this child, a refugee, born on straw in a stable! He, who is recognized as a king today, is the one who goes, from village to village, announcing that the poor, the meek, those hungry for justice, the peacemakers, will be blessed. The one we celebrate today is the one who was condemned to death on the cross: the torture reserved for slaves, crowned in derision with a headdress of brambles with a reed in his hand serving as a scepter! Jesus is humble, he does not command, he advises, he washes the feet of others. What Jesus wanted to do was give us a New Kingdom. Do we understand it correctly? Have we listened carefully to what he, the King of the Universe, calls us? Are we aware that we are the heirs of his Kingdom, and that his kingdom of love, we make it happen every time we take actions of love and sharing?

The Kingdom is here when we choose to love, instead of making war, and when we spend time with the weak: an elderly person, a sick person, a person who is suffering ... The Kingdom takes shape when we forgive a loved one, or an enemy, when we speak up against injustice, violence and poverty ... The Kingdom takes shape through prayer and the sharing of meals... And its King has a face, it is Christ, in his life, and in his death.

Blessings, Gilles+