



# 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 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 Third Sunday of Advent December 15, 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: Prepare the Way

(Swedish folk tune, 14th century, arr., J. Mansfield)

Processional: Prepare the Way, O Zion

Blue Book #102

*The Gathering of the Community*

Green Book p. 185

**Christ, be our light!**

**The Lighting of the Candle**

God is our light and our salvation, and in his name we light this candle. O God, you command a light to shine out of darkness. Shine in our hearts that we may be as lights in the world reflecting the glory of Jesus in our lives.

***All: Lord, in your mercy, let there be light.***

Collect of the Day

Green Book p. 270

*The Proclamation of the Word*

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14–20

Canticle 3 (Is 12:2-6)

Green Book p. 76

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4–7

The Gospel: Luke 3:7–18

Homily

Anthem: Come, O Lord, and Bring Your Light (C. Browning)

The Apostles' Creed

Green Book p.189

Prayers of the People

**Response: Hear our prayer**

Confession and Absolution Green Book p.191  
The Peace

## *The Celebration of the Eucharist*

Offertory: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Blue Book #89  
verses 1, 2, 3, & 4

Prayer Over the Gifts Green Book p. 271

**Eucharistic Prayer #3 Green Book p. 198**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord Blue Book #735

The Lord's Prayer Green Book p. 211

The Breaking of the Bread #5 Green Book p. 212

*Presider:* God of promise,  
you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

***All:* Happy are those who are called  
to the supper of the Lamb.**

Lamb of God

Communion: God Shall Gather In

Prayer After Communion Green Book p. 271

Doxology Green Book p. 214

Parish Announcements

Recessional: On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry  
Blue Book #103

Postlude: On Jordan's Bank (Winchester New arr. D Cherwien)

**Welcome visitors – we are blessed you are with us.  
Please let us know how we can serve you.**

**The Christmas Flowers in the Sanctuary are given  
to the glory of God**  
and as dedicated by our St. Matthew's families.

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

**Cantor:** Beth Felet

**Lectors:** Helen Johnson, Mary Grace Weir

**Intercessor:** Sheila Beach

**Communion Ministers:** Alisa Yednoroz, Louise Davis

**Collection Supervisor:** Deb French

**Sidespersons:** Ginny & Bill McAdam

**Church Nurse (by appointment):** Mary Louise Drake

**Marlborough School Breakfast this week: Cooks:** Louise Davis,  
Roger Wurdemann, Davny Montebello; **muffins:** Pat Lown

**Next Sunday's Readings, December 22, 2024** – Micah 5:2–5a; Ps. 80:1–7; Hebrews 10:5–10; Luke 1:39–45.

**Community Announcements**

*The Journey, Advent/Christmas Newsletter* - Hard copies available in the narthex, or full colour PDF on our website.

**Mid-Week Service, Wednesdays at 11 am** – Our mid-week services continue. Next service on Wednesday, December 18, at 11 am.

**Christmas Day Dinner** – Hosted by Rev'd Gilles, **Wednesday, Dec. 25, at 5pm in the church hall.** If you are a single person, a couple, or a family with children who have no extended family to celebrate Christmas, come and enjoy dinner and fellowship at St. Matthew's.

## *Special Services this Season*

**Third Sunday of Advent - Dec 15**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath— Joy

**Fourth Sunday of Advent - Dec 22**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath—Love

**Christmas Eve - Tuesday, Dec 24 Services at:**

4:00 pm Family Service (Children are welcome to come in their pjs)

7:00 pm Candlelight Service (Children are welcome to come in their pjs)

**Christmas Day - Wednesday, Dec 25 Holy Eucharist**

Service at 9:00 am

**First Sunday After Christmas - Dec 29 Services at:**

8:30 am (said Eucharist) and 10:00 am (with choir)

**The Feast of the Epiphany - Sunday, Jan 5, 2025**

Services at:

8:30 am (said Eucharist) and 10:00 am (with choir)

**Blessings, Gilles+**