



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

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 in Lent

March 23, 2025



Rector: The Reverend Gilles Haché
Deacon: The Reverend Cathy MacKendrick
Deacon: The Reverend Glenda Fisher
Liturgical 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: Trio (J. Pachelbel)

Processional: From All the Wind's Wide Quarters

Blue Book #43

The Gathering of the Community

Green Book p. 185

Lord Have Mercy

Collect of the Day

Green Book p. 290

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-9

Psalm: # 63: 1-8

Green Book p. 783

Refrain: I will feast at a rich table, my lips sing of your glory

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13

The Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9

Homily

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

The Apostles' Creed

Green Book p.189

Prayers of the People

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

Confession and Absolution

Green Book p. 191

The Peace

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offertory: You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

Blue Book #531

Prayer Over the Gifts

Green Book p. 291

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

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.**

Lamb of God

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

Communion Procession: Take, O Take Me as I Am

(Bell/Alonso/Huck)

Prayer After Communion

Green Book p. 291

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)

Welcome visitors – we are blessed you are with us. Please let us know how we can serve you. “Visitor’s envelopes” on the table at the back.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of Mary Louise Drake's birthday,
by Mary Lou and Gordon Drake.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: John Rossi, Jane Patterson, Jody Ness, Beth Felet

Lectors: Kyle Reeves, Mary Grace Weir **Intercessor:** Mary
Bromley

Communion Ministers: Louise Davis, Nadine Donlon

Collection Supervisor: Louise Davis

Sidespersons: Pat Lown, Jeannie Hopkins

Church Nurse (by appointment): Mary Louise Drake

Marlborough School Breakfast: Cooks: Audrey & Mark Goldspink,
Dianne Iannicello **Muffins:** Ann Hucal

Next Sunday's Readings, March 30, 2025 – Joshua 5: 9-12; Ps 32;
2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

Community Announcements

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

Lasagna and Baked Goods Orders – The deadline to order is TODAY, March 23, during fellowship hour.

Bake Sale - Sunday, March 30, after the 10 am service, in the hall.

Easter Flower Envelopes – The envelopes for our special Easter Flower Dedications are now available at the back of the church, by the collection plate. Fill out the information on the envelope and return with your donation (cash or cheque to St. Matthew’s Church) to the collection plate during services, no later than Sunday, April 6.

Reflection of the Week

Sunday, March 23

Don't we tend to question everything when something happens to us? Do we ever ask ourselves, "Why does God allow such things?" Do you ever ask yourself, "Why does God allow situations of war and illness?" Yet, today's Gospel seems to want to make us see things differently. It seems quite clear that Jesus does not see things this way. God is not the architect of our misfortune and the evil that surrounds us. It is very likely that seeing in the Gospel that Galileans are massacred by Pilate and that the tower of Siloam in Jerusalem falls, would lead us to ask ourselves the question: Why, and what is its meaning? How not to doubt and how to see clearly in all the tragedies that happen today? Yet, Jesus is clear; all this does not come from God. Jesus teaches us through a fig tree planted in a vineyard, which does not produce fruit. What Jesus tells us is that conversion and change begins within ourselves: "Love your enemies."

What makes life worthwhile is not what we possess, but what we are, our acceptance, our sharing, our love. Thus, God’s peace and love will be victorious. Blessings, Gilles+

Our Leadership Team

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