

St. Matthew's Church, Windsor, Ontario

"We are called to share God's love
as we welcome and care for our community"

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March 12, 2023

The Third Sunday in Lent

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 Andreas Thiel
Deacon: The Rev'd Cathy MacKendrick
Deacon: The Rev'd Glenda Fisher
Pastoral Musician: Michael Ricketts

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

Prelude: Voluntary in A Minor (J. James)

Processional: Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken (Blue Book #388)

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life, may we always thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm: # 95 (Green Book p. 833)

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-11

Gospel: John 4:5-42

Homily

Anthem: Open Our Eyes, O Lord We Pray (Dudley-Smith/Tate)

Apostles' Creed (Green Book, p. 189)

Prayers of the People **Refrain: We beg, for mercy, O God**

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

Refrain: *Make us turn to you, God of love and compassion,
Bring us home to you to be with you forever.*

The Peace

Offertory Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Blue Book #508)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer #2 (Green Book, p. 196)

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

The Breaking of the Bread #7

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.214)

Parish Announcements

Recessional: Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery (Blue Book #179, v. 1-5, 6d)

Postlude: Gavotte (M. Camidge)

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Greeter: Flora Smith

Lector: Grace Lavoy

Communion Minister: Bill McAdam

Intercessor: Jean Muhleisen

Cantors: Beth Felet, Danielle Richer

Collection Supervisors:

Marlborough Breakfast Programme – On Hiatus for March Break.

Scripture readings for Sunday, March 19, 2023 – 1 Samuel 16:1-13; Ps. 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Community Announcements

Soup lunches for Sundays in Lent – join us for soup during fellowship time after the 10 am services in Lent. Free-will offerings in support of PWRDF.

Choir Practice – We are pleased to announce that in March our full choir will resume leading the music at our liturgies. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact our Liturgical Musician, Michael Ricketts, at 519-996-1049. We thank our cantors, who have enhanced our liturgies the past seven months, and during the time of Covid restrictions.

Volunteer Opportunities – We are in the process of forming a **Property Committee**. In addition, we'd gladly welcome someone to join the team of **Bulletin Preparers** (knowledge of word processing and an eye for detail are required.) If you have an interest in either of these opportunities, please speak with your Rector or Wardens.

Parish Hall Use – There are two Al-Anon groups meeting in the Parish Hall (Sunday, 7-9 pm, and Wednesday, 11:30 am – 2 pm). Thank you for respecting confidentiality and not entering the hall at those times.

Would You Like a Pastoral Visit? – Please contact Rev'd Andreas (519-969-1510, church).

People Who Are Ill and/or in Hospital – If you know of someone who is in hospital, please let our clergy or churchwardens know so that they might have a pastoral visit.

Outreach Ministries – Remember your gifts to Hiatus House, our Food Cupboard, the Marlborough Nutrition Programme, and the ministry to the Southwest Detention Centre.