

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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November 27, 2016

The First Sunday of Advent

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

Prelude: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (J. Vandertuin)

Processional: # 108 Hark, a Herald Voice is Sounding

Gathering of the Community p.185

Collect of the Day

Lighting of the Advent Wreath –The Rossi-Weir Family

Response: **Lord, come and save us.**

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm # 122 p. 882

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44.

Homily

Anthem: He Will Come (J. Bell)

Apostles' Creed p. 189

Prayers of the People Refrain: **Hear our prayer**

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace p. 192

Offering Hymn: #97 Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring

Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer: #2 p. 196

#735 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread: #5p. 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.**

Communion Procession: God Shall Gather In (T. Alonso)

Prayer after Communion p. 214

Parish Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #93 You Servants of the Lord

Postlude: Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying (Thomas Chesterton)

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.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Susan Kissau Wells.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Danielle Richer, John Rossi, Beth Felet

Clarinet: Gordon Drake

Server: Nicole Sussens

Lectors: Gabriela Savva, Vicky Paraschak

Intercessor: Ann Hucal

Collection Supervisor: John Rossi

Sidespersons: Margaret Jemison, Mary Davis, Al McCabe, Nicole McCabe

Communion Ministers: Mary Davis, Jennifer McAlpine

Fellowship Hour: Soup Lunches. Please see the sign up chart.

Marlborough Breakfast: Kim Sussens, Nicole Sussens, and Cathy MacKendrick. **Muffin Maker:** Gail Henderson.

Scripture readings for Sunday, December 4, 2016 – Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19; Romans 15:4-13; Matthew 3:1-12

Would You Like a Pastoral Visit? – Please contact Rev'd Andreas (519-969-1510, church; 226-345-5085, cell).

People Who Are Ill and/or in Hospital – If you know of someone who is in hospital, please let either Rev'd Andreas or Rev'd Cathy (519 966 5729) know so that they might have a pastoral visit.

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

Children's Aid Christmas Tree – Please pick your ornament tags for gifts to our Children's Aid Society family, from the Christmas tree poster in the narthex. Stick the tag on each gift, and **bring to church by today, Sunday, November 27**. Gifts must be unwrapped, but feel free to include paper, gift bags, tape, etc. Thank you!

Newsletter - Pick up your Advent issue of The Journey, on the table in the narthex, or download in full colour on our website.

There are free **Advent devotional** materials available on the table in the Narthex, prepared by

the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer (Huron).

2016 Church Calendars – now available from Margaret Jemison (519-969-7584). Cost is \$6.

Advent Soup Lunches – Advent begins next week and so do our soup lunches to support the Council of the North. Please consider contributing towards this ministry to our brothers and sisters in northern Canada.

Organ Fund as of Nov. 13, 2016:

Total Required to raise:	A	\$ 41,950.00
Funds received to date (receipted)		\$ 24,554.97
Funds received to date (general)		\$ 1,414.85
Cash Pledges committed		\$ 2,405.00
Total Received/Committed:	B	\$ (28,374.82) 67.64% of total

Balance: A-B = C \$ 13,575.18

Endowment Funds committed:		\$ 5,000.00
Rebateable portion of HST		\$ 4,102.19
Total:	D	\$ (9,102.19)

True Remainder to pay: C-D \$ 4,472.99

Organ Fund offering envelopes available in the narthex.

Bishop's Friends Dinner - Wed., Dec. 7, at the Macedonian Centre. Come and meet our new bishop, Linda Nicholls. Tickets (\$50 ea.) are available from Rev'd Andreas. Proceeds will benefit the Diocesan Empowered Leadership Fund.

Christmas Flowers – The envelopes for our Christmas flowers are in the pews. Please fill it out with your dedication and name(s) and return with your offering (\$10 to \$20, cash only) to Gwen Allsop by **December 11**. Everyone is invited to help our chancel guild set up the display and other Christmas decorations after the 10 am service on Sunday, December 18. Thank you very much!

Christmas Party - Please save the date for our Christmas social, **December 17** at the home of Ann and Richard Hucal. More details to follow soon.

Forward Day by Day – the newest issue of the daily devotional is on the Narthex table. Small donations are appreciated.