

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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December 11, 2016

***The Third Sunday of Advent
Rite of Holy Baptism***

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

Prelude: Prepare the Way (J. Mansfield)

Processional: #89 O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v. 1,2,3,4)

Gathering of the Community p.185

Collect of the Day

Lighting of the Advent Wreath – The Hahn Family

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

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-10

Psalms #146:4-9 p. 905

Second Reading: James 5: 7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Homily

Anthem: Come to Us, O Promised One (L. Larson)

Celebration of Baptism

Presentation of the Candidatep. 153

The Peace p. 192

Offering Hymn: #270 Lamb of God, to Thee We Raise

Celebration of the Eucharist

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer: #1 p. 193

#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: #103 On Jordan's Bank

Postlude: On Jordan's Bank (D. Cherwein)

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 memory of loved ones.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Nicole Sussens, John Rossi, Beth Felet

Clarinet: Gordon Drake

Server: Gabriella Savva

Lectors: Margaret Kissau, Doug Warford

Intercessor: Jennifer McAlpine

Collection Supervisor: Patti Weir

Sidespersons: Pauline Patterson, Don Patterson, Virginia Schofield, Ed Levergood

Communion Ministers: Alisa Yednoroz, Cora Braidford, Andy Hahn

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

Marlborough Breakfast: Janet Williams, Doug Warford, Cathy MacKendrick. **Muffin Maker:**
Gwen Allsop

We welcome Everett Martin Derby as the newest member of the St. Matthew's family, and we celebrate the beginning of Everett's journey of faith among us.

Scripture readings for Sunday, December 18, 2016 – Isaiah 7: 10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25

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 – Thank you everyone for the support of our sponsored family. Your caring and generosity shone through with the overflowing boxes and gifts that filled the narthex.

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 – in support of the Council of the North. Please consider contributing towards this ministry to our brothers and sisters in northern Canada.

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!

Parish Festivities otherwise known as **Christmas Party** – Join us on Saturday **December 17** at the home of Ann and Richard Hucal, **355 Gary Avenue** in LaSalle. Festivities begin at **7:00 PM**. Bring nibbles or desert to share. Punch (regular and non-alcoholic) will be provided. See Ann or Richard for directions. Call 519-734-8660 if you need more information.

Christmas Services - Christmas Eve, 7 pm Holy Eucharist
Christmas Day, one service only, at 10 am

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