

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 23, 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

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

Prelude: The Angel Gabriel (D. Cherwein)

Processional: #89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (verses 1,5,6,7)

Gathering of the Community p.185

Collect of the Day

Lighting of the Advent Wreath: The Moscatello family

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

Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Micah 5:2-5a

Canticle 18 (Luke 1:46-55) p. 86

Refrain: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

During the reading of the Gospel: #95 O Come, Divine Messiah

Homily

Anthem: Say He Will Come (R. Lau)

Apostles' Creed p. 189

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

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace p. 192

Offering Hymn: #269 Heavenly Message

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: #5 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.**

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

Prayer after Communion

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Parish Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #91 People, Look East! The Time Is Near

Postlude: People, Look East! The Time Is Near (D. Cherwien)

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

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Nicole Sussens, Danielle Richer

Clarinet: Gordon Drake

Server: Mark Goldspink

Intercessor: Jen McAlpine

Lectors: Mary Grace Weir, Mike Clark

Collection Supervisor: Patti Weir

Sidespersons: Patti Weir, Bill & Ginny McAdam, Robert Weir

Communion Ministers: Mary Davis, Jen McAlpine, Karen Camlis

Marlborough Breakfast: A blessed Christmas to all!

Scripture readings for Sunday, December 30, 2018 – I Samuel 2:18–20, 26; Ps. 148;
Colossians 3:12–17; Luke 2:41–52

Christmas Services –

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24; **6:30 pm** Carol Sing

followed by **7:00 pm** Candle-lit Family Service

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25; **10:00 am**

First Sunday after Christmas, Dec 30; one service only, at **10 am**

Advent Soup Lunches – Join today for our last Advent soup lunch in the church hall, after the 10am service. Free-will offerings will go to support the Ministry of the Council of the North. Thank you!

Newsletter - Our Advent/Christmas issue of The Journey is available on the table in the narthex, or download in full colour on our website.

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

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.

