

St. Matthew's Church, Windsor, Ontario

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

November 29th, 2015

The First Sunday of Advent

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

Prelude: Sleepers, Awake (J.S. Bach)

Processional: # 108 Hark, a Herald Voice is Sounding

The Gathering of the Community p.185

Collect of the Day

Lighting of the Advent Wreath – The Donlon Family

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

Children's Focus

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm # 25 1-9 See Insert

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36

Homily

Anthem: He Will Come (J. Bell)

Apostles' Creedp. 189

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

Confession and Absolutionp. 191

The Greeting of Peace

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Offering Hymn: Glory & Praise #35 Like a Shepherd

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer: #5 p. 204

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 and Doxology p.214

Parish Announcements

Recessional Hymn: # 93 You Servants of the Lord

Postlude: O Come, O Come, Emanuel (H. Hopson)

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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 (foyer) for your use.

Scheduled Ministers for Today's Liturgy:

Cantors: Danielle Richer, Beth Felet

Clarinet: Gordon Drake **Server:** Matt Bulley

Lectors: Margaret Kissau, Gabriela Savva

Intercessor: Jen McAlpine

Collection Supervisor: John Rossi

Sidespersons: Andy Hahn, Paul Finlayson, Helen Cahill, Joan Mallender

Communion Ministers: Jen McAlpine, Denis Bernard, Josh Canty

Fellowship Ministers: Soup Lunch

Marlborough School Breakfast Team: Shirley Cantle, Sue Trenhaile, Cathy MacKendrick.

Making muffins: Cora Braidford

Scripture readings for Sunday, December 6, 2015: Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 1:68-79, Philipians 1:3-11, Luke 21: 25-36

Wednesday scripture readings discussion – Please join us at St. Matthew’s on Wednesday at 10:00 am, for a weekly opportunity to engage in conversation about the upcoming Sunday’s readings.

Would you like a pastoral visit? – Please let Rev'd Andreas know (519-969-1510, church; 226-345-5085, cell) to arrange a convenient time.

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

Forward Day by Day: The next issue of this daily bible reading and reflection booklet is available on the table in the Narthex.

Your **ordered pies** (turkey and tourtiere) are ready for pick up. Please see Jen McAlpine after Soup Lunch to pick yours up. Thanks so much.

Children's Aid Christmas Gifts: Please bring your gifts, unwrapped, next Sunday December 6th. Thank you all very much for your generous support of our family.

Christmas Flowers: The envelopes for Christmas flowers are in the pews. Please fill it out completely. We request that your donations are between \$10 and \$20 (cash only). Please return by December 20th. Thank-you very much!

Today our Sunday school will be decorating **Gingerbread Houses**, which will be available for viewing today. We will be selling tickets during Advent to raise monies for Maryvale. Be sure to get your tickets.

St. Matthew's Outreach Evaluation Forum: TODAY directly after the 10 am service. Your views and suggestions are requested, as we evaluate our current and future outreach initiatives.

Advent Soup Lunches: Advent begins today and so do our soup lunches to support the Council of the North. There is a sign-up sheet in the hall for contributions towards this ministry to our brothers and sisters in northern Canada.

Bishop's Friends Dinner – Wednesday Dec 9th at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$45, proceeds to benefit the Bishop's discretionary fund. Speak to Rev'd Andreas if you'd like to attend.

St. Matthews Christmas Party will be held this year at the home of Beth and Onorio Felet 7pm on Saturday December 12th, sign up poster in the Narthex.

A heads up our **Annual Pot Luck and Talent Show** will be held Saturday Jan 16th. More Info to come. Jen and John.

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



“Renewing Our space and Improving Our Accessibility”

**Additional envelopes for our Building Renovation Fund
are available on the table in the narthex.**