

Communion

HYMN 95 *O Come, Divine Messiah*

Prayer After Communion

Celebrant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: **And your faithful servants bless you.**

Gracious God
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup, bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
so that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Doxology

Blessing

HYMN 116 *“Your Kingdom Come” - On Bended Knee*

Postlude:



Prayers this Week

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Australia and their Bishop.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Church of the Redeemer, Colchester North; St. Stephen's, Oldcastle; St. Mary's/Calvary, Pelee Island & Christ Church in Colchester.

For God's Healing Presence: Jim, Pete, Sue, Jack, Donna, Steve, Scott, Sherry, Mary, Codey, Carl, Georgina, Ian, Andrew, Bridget, Sara, Kevin, Josee, Glenn, all First Responders and members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Sarnia

November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent



Please take advantage of the hearing devices located at the back of the church (by the sound system)



WELCOME

We welcome everyone to our services today. We encourage our guests to take a moment to sign your name and address in the guest book at the back of the nave.

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist B.C.P. P. 67

Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122 P. 498 Matthew 24:36-44

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist B.A.S.

Christmas Carols Sing: **Carol 120** *O Little Town of Bethlehem* (v 1-4)

Carol 154 *Joy to the World* (v1-4)

Carol 136 *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks* (v 1-4)

Carol 160 *As With Gladness Men of Old* (v 1-4)

Announcements

Gathering the Community

HYMN 89 *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Greeting: *Presider: From the Christ...be with you all.*

Assembly: And also with you.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Light One Candle (*Sung 2X*)

Light one candle for hope, one bright candle for hope.

He brings hope to ev'ry heart. He comes! He comes!

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Leader: In joyful expectation,

let us call out to Christ,

who is our salvation. (*pause*)

Lord, you come to turn the hearts of all people

towards the love of God and of neighbours. (*pause*)

Lord, come and save us. *All: Lord, come and save us.*
Leader: Lord, you come to enrich us
with the gifts of grace and caring. *(pause)*
Lord, come and save us.
All: Lord, come and save us.

Leader: Lord, you come among us
to bring salvation for all your faithful. *(pause)*
Lord, come and save us.
All: Lord, come and save us.

Let us pray. *(pause)*
All-wonderful God, by your power,
give us the strength to do good,
so that your Son, as he comes to us,
will find a people who are ready,
and eagerly welcome him. We ask this through Christ, our Lord

Trisagion *(Sung)* Holy God, holy and mighty,
holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

Collect of the Day
Proclaiming the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 Debbie Heaton
Psalms 122 (Handout)
Cantors: Sue Pickard, Ryan Huizenga
Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14 Glen Crawford
HYMN 109 *When the King Shall Come Again (vs 1-2)*
Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44 The Rev Karen Nelles
HYMN 109 *When the King Shall Come Again (vs 3-4)*
Sermon The Rev Karen Nelles



Anthem “Every Valley” (2005) Music by Ruth Elaine Schram
Words, Isaiah 40:4-7, Luke 3:4-6

Ev’ry valley shall be exalted, ev’ry mountain made low.
Ev’ry valley shall be exalted, ev’ry mountain made low.
And all the earth see it together, and all the earth shall see it
together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.

All the rough ground shall be made level, and the rugged places
plain, All the rough ground shall be made level,
and the rugged places plain. And all the earth shall see it together.
and all the earth shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has
spoken it.

Hear the voice calling, see your salvation, though the grass with-
ers and the flowers fade; Hear the voice calling, see your
salvation, The word of God stands forever! Amen!

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And all the earth shall see it together, and all the earth shall see it
together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.

For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it. Amen!
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it. Amen!
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.
Amen! Amen!

Nicene Creed p.188
Prayers of the People (R– Lord Jesus, come soon!) Susan Memedovich
Confession & Absolution p.191
The Peace p.192

Celebrating the Eucharist
HYMN 114 *Lo, He Comes With Clouds Descending*
(During this Hymn, the Collection, Bread & Wine will be processed)
Eucharistic Prayer 3 p. 198
(As you are able, please remain standing until communion)
The Lord’s Prayer (Hymn 744)
The Breaking of the Bread 5 p.212
ANGUS DEI Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world,
give us your peace, give us your peace.