



**St. Matthew  
the Apostle, Oriole**  
Anglican Church

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***Last Sunday after Pentecost:  
The Reign of Christ***

Sunday, November 26th, 2023

**SUNDAY SERVICES**

8:00 a.m. (Said) Holy Eucharist

10:00 a.m. (Sung) Holy Eucharist



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***"To Seek and Serve  
Christ in all persons"***

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**Today at St. Matthew**

Holy Eucharist (8:00 a.m.)

Holy Eucharist (10.00)

We Livestream our 10:00 a.m. service  
on our YouTube channel  
at [StMatthew.ca/YouTube](https://www.stmatthew.ca/YouTube)

# **Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Reign of Christ**

## **10:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST (BAS)**

Everything you will need for the service is found in this leaflet, with the exception of hymns which are found in the blue book, Common Praise. We invite you to participate as you feel comfortable.

Masks are now optional. We have Hearing-Assist devices available for those with hearing difficulty.

Children are very welcome here! There are activity packages for children to use in church during the service - available from the Sidespeople in the narthex (the entrance area).

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### **The Gathering of the Community**

**Prelude:** "Herzlich tut mich erfreuen" .....Johannes Brahms

Sentence: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! *Mark 11.9, 10*

**Processional Hymn: 322** "All hail the power of Jesus' name" ..... MILES LANE

### **The Greeting**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**All: And also with you**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: 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.**

### **GLORIA**

**All: Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone**

**are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY** *(please remain standing)*

Celebrant: Let us pray *(a moment of silence is taken)*

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **FIRST LESSON**

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken. *(Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24)*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 100**..... Chant: George Black

**Refrain: We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.**

Cantor: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come into the divine presence with a song. **Refrain**

**All: Know this: the Lord, the Lord, is God;  
the One who made us and to whom we belong;  
we are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture. Refrain**

Cantor: Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving;  
go into these courts with praise;  
give thanks to God and call upon the name of the Lord. **Refrain**

**All: For the Lord is good,  
whose steadfast love is everlasting;  
and whose faithfulness endures from age to age. Refrain**

## SECOND LESSON

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.  
*(Ephesians 1:15-23)*

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn: 324 "Hallelujah" .....**HALLELUJAH

### **The Holy Gospel**

Archdeacon: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Archdeacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Archdeacon: Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."  
*(Matthew 25:31-46)*

Archdeacon: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily: The Venerable Kyn Barker

### **The Apostles' Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People *(as announced)***

#### **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.  
*(silence).*

Most merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Peace** (*Please stand.*)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you

**All: And also with you.**

*You are invited to share a word of peace with others in the congregation.*

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**The Preparation of the Gifts**

**Offertory Hymn: 84** "Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour" ..... ST. OSMUND

**Prayer Over the Gifts** (*please stand*)

Celebrant: Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord. You exalted him as Lord of all creation that he might present to you an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace. Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you



have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer** (*sung*)

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

## THE COMMUNION

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Agnus Dei** (*Sung*)

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

*Please wait for the direction of the Sidespeople.*

*If you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please indicate this by  
crossing your hands over your chest as you approach the priest.*

*If you would like to receive the bread only, simply touch the base of the chalice as the  
wine is offered.*

*Gluten free-hosts are available.*

**Communion Hymn: 345** "King of glory, King of peace" ..... GWALCHMAI

**Motet:** "O Jesu, King most wonderful" ..... Thomas Tallis

**Prayer after Communion** (*Please stand*)

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of  
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we  
pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus  
Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

**Doxology**

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask  
or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the  
Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Announcements**

**Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn: 379** "Rejoice, the Lord is King" .....DARWALL

**DISMISSAL**

Archdeacon: Followers of Jesus: inspired by the Holy Spirit.. serve the world God loves.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:** "Fantasia in G Minor" .....J. S. Bach

► *Join us for our Coffee Hour following the service* ◀

**Next Week's Readings ~ First Sunday of Advent**

*Isaiah 64:1-9*                      *Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18*  
*1 Corinthians 1:3-9*                *Mark 13:24-37*

**CYCLE OF PRAYER**

Anglican Communion: The Diocese of Kinkiizi – The Church of the Province of Uganda  
Anglican Church of Canada: The members of the Joint Anglican-Lutheran Commission  
Diocese: FaithWorks  
Deanery: Church of the Incarnation  
Parish: Families of Blackmore, Blake & Blatchford

**ASSISTING TODAY**

Presiding Celebrant:	The Rev. Canon John Wilton
Homilist:	The Venerable Kyn Barker
Sidespersons:	The Nigel Jansz Team
Readers:	Bonnie LaRue, Bruce LaRue
Intercessor:	Tina Johnson
Chalice:	Janice Sanders
Altar Guild:	Gwynne Barker
Livestreaming:	Robbie Roberts

**Liturgical texts:**

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## Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24

Along with Isaiah and Jeremiah, Ezekiel is one of the three prophetic figures called the Latter Prophets. The materials in the collections connected to them span the period between approximately 750 and 520 BCE. Ezekiel was likely a priest who was deported from Judah during the first wave of Babylonian deportations in the 590s. The accounts of his actions and parts of the sayings attributed to him suggest someone who suffered from serious mental disturbance—perhaps a form of post-traumatic stress disorder. Yet it is through Ezekiel that God chooses to speak a word to the people. Ezekiel believed that the royal and priestly leadership of Judah had betrayed God's people at a time of political chaos by making the temple a place of idols, obscene images and rituals, and abandoning the responsibilities of the covenant by enriching themselves in every crisis while ignoring the suffering of the poor and weak. Early in the book, he has a vision of God's glory leaving the corruption of Jerusalem. In chapter 34 he draws a contrast between Israel's false shepherds, and YHWH, Israel's God, who is a true shepherd. Across the ancient Near East, the word ro'eh had two meanings—'shepherd', and also 'king' or 'ruler.' In the remaining chapters of the book, Ezekiel has a series of visions of a coming restoration for Israel and Judah, including the bones of all the slain victims of war and deportation coming together and being a living people again (ch 37), and a new Temple being built in Jerusalem so that God's glory may once again dwell there (ch 40-48).

[Dr. Walter Deller/2023]

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### Parish News

**FAMILY SERVICE** ~ Our next Family Service will be **Sunday, December 3rd, at the 10:00 a.m.** service. At this relaxed, family-friendly, monthly service, our children and youth lead us in the readings and prayers, and the congregation takes part in a time of All-Ages Teaching. *We will learn about the Season of Advent, light our first Advent Candle*

**ADVENT STUDY** ~ Join us for scripture study, discussion, and prayer, as we move into the season of Advent and prepare for the coming of Christ. **Three Tuesday evenings, November 28<sup>th</sup>, December 5<sup>th</sup>, and December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7:45 pm.** On Zoom, or stay in person at the church after Compline! Our study will be based on the book, *"Holy Disruption: Discovering Advent in the Gospel of Mark."* To order your copy for \$10,

please let Rev. Sherri know by Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> and she will get a copy to you.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86922288329?pwd=K2MrXbqKN3DRreHA8L1SJ3a3EcAiZB7.1>

**TUESDAY COMPLINE** ~ **November 28th at 7:00 p.m.** Join us for a half-hour reflective service Tuesday evenings using the tradition of Compline (or "Night Prayer"). Come pray together, and find peace at the end of your day. Through the coming weeks, we will have a special focus on "PRAYERS FOR PEACE."

**TRAVEL ADVENTURE SERIES** ~ **Thursday, November 30th, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 /8:30**

**p.m.** "Cruising around Cuba", presented by Bill Found and Jane Couchman.

You can attend in one of THREE WAYS:

1. In-person for potluck supper at 6:00 p.m. Every family/group brings a dish to serve 4-6 people. Everyone brings their own plates, cutlery, glass, and beverage. At the end, take home what you brought, including your dirty dishes. This is the easiest way to have a communal meal without undue fuss. Efficient and easy!
2. Come for the presentation only at 7:00 p.m.
3. By Zoom. <https://yorku.zoom.us/j/93069131349>.

**ANTI-RACISM COMMITTEE** ~ Save the date for the next meeting on **Thursday, December 7th at 7:30 p.m.** on Zoom. Zoom link to come.

**MESSY CHURCH** ~ **Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.** Gingerbread Nativity and Hot Chocolate Café. Please register your spot by Tuesday, December 5th [office@stmatthew.ca](mailto:office@stmatthew.ca). All are welcome! Adults must remain with children.

**CHURCH OFFICE OPEN** ~ Tuesdays from 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. via the main South door. Please ring the Bell outside the East wing door (on the left side of the door frame) for entry.

**INTERCESSIONS** ~ Each week as a church, we lift up our prayers for one another, presenting our requests to God. If you wish for us to be praying for someone you know, please add their name to the "Blue Binder" found in the narthex, or speak to Reverend Sherri or Archdeacon Kyn.

**PASTORAL CARE** ~ If in need of pastoral support, please contact Reverend Sherri [priest-stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:priest-stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca) or by phone at 416-494-7020 ext. 2. In case of pastoral emergencies, please call (416) 880 – 4211. Sherri's day off is Mondays.

**Epiphany Open House  
and Newcomers Toast**

**Saturday January 6<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Rectory.** All are welcome! Let us kick off the Epiphany season with some festive fun!

With a special toast to all the newcomers to St. Matthew.

**We Are Looking For Some Help With Coffee Hour!**

Sign up in the narthex to join in this ministry of fellowship. You will join a team that works on a rotational basis and helps with light set up and clean up, making coffee and tea, providing a few goodies and other supplies. Many hands make lighter work! Since we have also switched away from disposable cups to save on dishwashing duties, please consider bringing your own mug.



**Parish Calendar**

<b>November</b>	
Wednesday, 1st	<b>Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. (Zoom) / Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Sunday, 5th	<b>Service of Induction, Bishop Andrew Asbil presiding – 10:00 a.m.,</b>
Tuesday, 7th	<b>All Soul Service – 7:30 p.m.</b>
Wednesday, 8th	<b>Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. (Zoom) / Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Tuesday, 14th	<b>Tuesday Night Prayer 7:00 p.m.</b>
Wednesday, 15th	<b>Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. (Zoom) / Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Sunday, 19th	<b>Anointing with prayers for healing at both 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.</b>
Tuesday, 21th	<b>Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m. / Advisory Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. In-person at the church</b>

Wednesday, 22nd	<b>Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Saturday, 25th	<b>Messy Church 11:00 a.m. / Community Prayer Walk with Advent Lutheran Church 12:45 p.m. Leaving from St. Matthew, George Henry entrance. Come early at 12:15 to join for a slice of pizza!</b>
Sunday, 26th	<b>Reign of Christ and Faithworks Sunday. <i>Please bring in your Moorelands Adopt-a-Family Gifts today!</i></b>
Thursday, 23rd	<b>Younger Adults Small Group – 7:00 p.m.</b>
Tuesday, 28th	<b>Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m. / Advent Study 7:45 p.m. on Zoom or stay in person at the church after the service</b>
Wednesday, 29th	<b>Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Thursday, 30th	<b>Travel Series: “Cruising around Cuba” (pot-luck supper at 6:00 p.m., presentation at 7:00 p.m. in-person or Zoom option)</b>
<b>December</b>	
Sunday, 3rd	<b>Family Service 10:00 a.m. and First Sunday of Advent</b>
Tuesday, 5th	<b>Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m. / Advent Study 7:45 p.m. on Zoom or stay in person at the church after Compline</b>
Wednesday, 6th	<b>Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Saturday, 9th	<b>Messy Church 11:00 a.m. Gingerbread Nativity and Hot Chocolate Cafe</b>
Tuesday, 12th	<b>Tuesday Night Prayer 7:00 p.m. / Advent Study 7:45 p.m. on Zoom or stay in person at the church after the service</b>
Wednesday, 13th	<b>Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Sunday, 17th	<b>Anointing with prayers for healing at both 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.</b>
Tuesday, 19th	<b>Tuesday Night Prayer 7:00 p.m.</b>
Wednesday, 20th	<b>Choir practice – 7:15 p.m.</b>
Sunday, 24th	<b>8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services, Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>
	<b>4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service with Pageant</b>
	<b>9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Service</b>
Monday, 25th	<b>10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service</b>

## CHRISTMAS PLANTS AND GREENERY



**Help us to make the church beautiful and Festive  
for the Season!**



If you would like to donate towards the greenery and Christmas plants, there are four ways to do it!

- 1....Please fill out and put your money in the "Season Flowers Donation and Request envelopes (located in the Narthex).
- 2....You can send it by mail or drop it off in the Black Church mailbox at the south entrance. Mark the envelope '*Christmas Flowers*' and include your name and dedication.
- 3....We accept e-Transfer at [treasurerstmatt@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerstmatt@gmail.com)  
Q: What is the name of Rev. Sherri's dog?                      A. Toby  
or
4. You can donate online on our website. Just click on the **BLUE GIVE** button on the top right and select "**Give Online.**"

*Dedications may be made in the Memory of Loved Ones or in Thanksgiving.*



## Christian Giving Made Simple

**An invitation to Grow your Giving:  
become a regular giver or consider increasing your gift.  
Thank you for generously supporting the life and ministry of St. Matthew the  
Apostle Oriole!**

A simple and easy way to give is to sign up to give through Pre-Authorized Remittance. We have sign-up forms available from the Sidespeople. You can also go on line to our website <https://stmatthew.ca/give/> or email the Treasurer, Sandra, at [treasurer@stmatthew.ca](mailto:treasurer@stmatthew.ca).

We also have e-Transfer available.

The email for the eTransfer is [treasurerstmatt@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerstmatt@gmail.com)

The question is "What is the Name of Rev. Sherri's dog?" Answer: Toby.

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### What is Christian Stewardship?

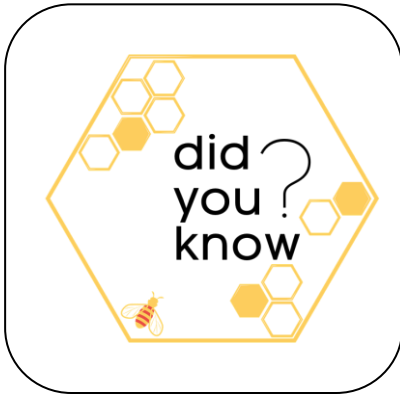
As Christians we are invited to give back to God out of gratitude for all that God has first given us. Christian giving is:

- Proportional to one's income (1 Corinthians 16:2; 2 Corinthians 8:12)
- Consistent (1 Corinthians 16:2)
- Sacrificial (Mark 12:43-44; 2 Corinthians 8:2-3) 6
- Cheerful/Joyful (2 Corinthians 9:7)

*The spirit of Joyful Giving asks that we put God's priorities before our own. It comes from our substance, not our excess. This act can lead us into a closer relationship with God because if we are giving an amount that is truly a sacrifice we are expressing the belief that our security lies not in our material wealth but in God.<sup>1</sup>*

<sup>1</sup><https://www.toronto.anglican.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/A-Program-to-Encourage-Joyful-Giving-in-Your-Parish.pdf>

If you would like more information please speak to one of our sidespeople at a Sunday service who can direct you to a Churchwarden, or reach out to our treasurer Sandra Lumb directly by email at [treasurer@stmatthew.ca](mailto:treasurer@stmatthew.ca)



.... that our church is a popular meeting place for the wider community? We have many local organizations who rent space from us on a regular basis, including:

- ✓ Don Mills Camera Club
  - ✓ University Women's Club North York
  - ✓ North York Obedience Club (Dog Training)
  - ✓ Henry Farm Community Interest Association
  - ✓ Beulah House of God church
  - ✓ Good Shepherd Korean church
- And more!

## PRIEST-IN-CHARGE CONTACT INFORMATION

You may reach the Rev. Sherri by email at [priest-stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:priest-stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca), or by phone at 416-494-7020 ext. 2. Rev. Sherri's day off is Monday. In case of pastoral emergencies, please call (416) 880 – 4211.

## CHURCH ASSISTANT'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**NOTE:** The office is open to visitors by appointment only.

Please email the office at [stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca](mailto:stmatthewtheapostleoriele@toronto.anglican.ca) or [office@stmatthew.ca](mailto:office@stmatthew.ca) to make an appointment.

## **Parish Officers**

Rector's Warden	Valerie Seales
Peoples' Warden	Steve O'Keefe
Rector's Deputy Warden	Nigel Jansz
Peoples' Deputy Warden	Norma Walker Roberts
Office/Rentals	Donna Lam
Treasurer/Bookkeeper	Sandra Lumb <i>treasurer@stmatthew.ca</i>
Sidespeople 8:00	Trevor Evans
10:00	Valerie Seales
Music Director/Organist	David Braund
Envelope Secretary	Sandra Lumb
Synod Representative	Margaret Gordon Allen
Alternative Synod Member	Norma Walker Roberts
Church School	TBD
Nursery Director and Messy Church Facilitator	Diane Wilton
Altar Guild Chair	Gwynne Barker
Fundraising	Bonnie LaRue Sherry Jansz
Growing Healthy Stewards Chair	Delores Lawrence
Social Justice & Outreach	Anne Creighton
Hospitality	Valerie Seales Margaret Gordon Allen