



St. Matthew
the Apostle, Oriole
Anglican Church

Come. See. Journey.

Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 10th, 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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Archdeacon: Venerable Kyn Barker
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Music Director & Organist: Mr. David Braund
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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)

Second Sunday of Advent

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).

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: "The water of grace" Olivier Messiaen

Sentence: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

All flesh shall see the salvation of God. *Luke 3.4, 6*

Processional Hymn: 100 "Comfort, comfort ye my people" Geneva, 1551

Lighting of the Advent Wreath*

Second Sunday of Advent... Peace

Reader 1: During cold days and long nights, we wait for the coming of peace.

Reader 2: Peace between siblings, peace among the nations, peace for all creation.

Reader 1: Peace is found wherever God's rule and God's reign is brought into the world.

Reader 2: Peace will come with Jesus, our Prince of Peace.
(the candle of hope is lit)

Reader 1: Let us pray:

All: Light of the world, great prince of peace, be in our lives, and in our hearts, that we might be ambassadors of your peace in a world of strife. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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.

Kyrie Eleison David Hurd

Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison.

COLLECT OF THE DAY (*please remain standing*)

Celebrant: Let us pray (*a moment of silence is taken*)
Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive 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 Isaiah
Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken." A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem,

herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep. (*Isaiah 40:1-11*)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13 Chant: John Goss

Choir: You have been gracious to your | land, O | Lord,
you have re|stored the ' good | fortune ' of | Jacob.

**All: You have forgiven all the iniquity | of your | people
And | blotted ' out | all their | sins.**

Choir: I will listen to what you, Lord | God, are | saying,
for you are speaking peace to your faithful people
and to those who | turn their | hearts to | you.

**All: Truly, your salvation is very near to | those who | fear you,
that your | glory ' may | dwell in ' our | land.**

Choir: Mercy and truth have | met to|gether;
righteousness and | peace have | kissed each | other.

**All: Truth shall spring | up ' from the | earth,
and righteousness shall | look | down from | heaven.**

Choir: Lord, you will indeed | grant pros|perity,
and our | land will | yield its | increase.

**All: Righteousness shall | go be |fore you,
and peace shall be a | pathway | for your | feet.**

SECOND LESSON

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Peter

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and

everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. *(2 Peter 3:8-15a)*

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: 103 "On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry"WINCHESTER NEW

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 Mark.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Archdeacon: The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." *(Mark 1:1-8)*

Archdeacon: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily: The Rev. Sherri Golisky

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

(Please stand, sit, or kneel as is most comfortable and prayerful for you.)

Litany for Advent**

Leader: Lord, we wait with eager expectation for the coming of your kingdom when the humble will be exalted and the hungry fed.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we prepare for your advent with searching minds and contrite hearts, trusting in your healing spirit and redemptive love.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we watch with those who wait and weep, longing to see the rule of justice and the reign of peace.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we seek you amongst the despised and rejected, knowing that there we will find your light shining in the dark.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we proclaim sight to the blind and liberty to the oppressed, trusting in your tender mercy and passion for justice.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we work with you to proclaim your truth, challenging the mighty and raising the meek.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done.

Leader: Lord, we wrestle with our hopes and our fears, our struggles and our joys, labouring with creation to come to new birth.

All: Your kingdom come, your will be done

Leader: Be with us, Lord, at this time, that we may be a people of hope. **Amen.**

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: 108 "Hark! a herald voice is sounding" descant, Alan Gray MERTON

Prayer Over the Gifts *(please stand)*

Celebrant: God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our 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, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh, and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world, that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to 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: 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.

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: 57 "Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray"SONG 1

Motet: "My Dancing Day" English Carol, arr. Martin Shaw

Prayer after Communion (*Please stand*)

Celebrant: Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; 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: 88 "Come, thou long-expected Jesus"STUTGART

DISMISSAL

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux"François Couperin

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

Next Week's Readings ~ Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11

Canticle 18 (Luke 1:47-55)

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

John 1:6-8, 19-28

CYCLE OF PRAYER

Anglican Communion: The Church of Pakistan (United)

Anglican Church of Canada: The Primate Archbishop Linda Nicholls and the staff of the Primate's Office of the Anglican Church of Canada

Diocese: Peterborough Deanery

Deanery: St. Theodore of Canterbury

Parish: Families of Bresnahan, June Browne & Wayne Browne

ASSISTING TODAY

Sidespersons:	The Val Seales Team
Readers:	Jeff Rowell, Judy Jackson
Intercessor:	The Ven. Kyn Barker
Chalice:	Janice Sanders
Altar Guild:	Sylvia Sutherland

Liturgical texts:

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Isaiah 40:1-11

Most scholars think that Isaiah came into being over a period of about two and a half centuries—a sort of extended building and gathering project that began with the work of Isaiah of Jerusalem in the late 8th century BCE (ch 1-39), was added to with the poetry of a great Babylonian period prophet (ch 40-55), and brought to completion sometime in the Persian period by a new group of followers of the earlier prophets after the return to the land of Judah during the Persian empire (ch 56-66). So Isaiah is a model of the

way God's word continues to be interpreted and reinterpreted in different times and places through the continuing activity of the Holy Spirit. One of the ways that reinterpretation took place was by including the section of 2 Kings 18:13-20:19 that told about the miraculous deliverance of Jerusalem from the Assyrians in the time of King Hezekiah and First Isaiah (Isaiah of Jerusalem—around 720 BCE). It ends with the account of how Hezekiah welcomed the envoys of another rising power, Babylon, and showed them all his property and riches. Isaiah's word from the Lord is that Hezekiah's foolish trust will lead to a time when his descendants will be captives and eunuchs (castrated men who were harem workers) in Babylon. Hezekiah things, "Well, as long as there is peace in my time." Our reading today catapults us to Babylon 170 years later, and in a wonderful passage full of unidentified voices in God's heavenly court we hear a new prophet being summoned to speak a word of comfort and hope to a people in exile who have passed through great suffering and deprivation. The chapter lays out several of the key themes of this new prophetic voice (Second Isaiah, or Isaiah of Babylon, chapters 40-55) comfort for the exiles, the vision of a great highway across the desert on which people will return of Jerusalem, human frailty and God's eternal creative power and constancy, and the foolishness of people who worship things instead of putting their trust in Israel's God and deliverer, YHWH. [Dr. Walter Deller/2023]

Parish News

PAGEANT REHEARSAL: Saturday, December 16th at 11:00 a.m. All young people welcome as we rehearse our pageant and get our costumes ready for the special Christmas Eve family service! Adults please remain with children.

ADVENT STUDY ~ Join us on Zoom for scripture study, discussion, and prayer, as we move into the season of Advent and prepare for the coming of Christ. **Tuesday evenings, December 5th, and December 12th, 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."* Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86922288329?pwd=K2MrXbqKN3DRReHA8L1SJ3a3EcAiZB7.1>

TUESDAY COMPLINE ~ **December 12th 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."

CHURCH OFFICE OPEN ~ Tuesdays from 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. and Fridays from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 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-stmatthewtheapostleorionle@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 6th from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
at the Rectory, 70 George Henry Blvd.**



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.

Parish Calendar

December	
Sunday, 3rd	Family Service 10:00 a.m. and First Sunday of Advent
Tuesday, 5th	Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m. / Advent Study 7:45 p.m. on Zoom or stay in person at the church after Compline
Wednesday, 6th	Choir practice 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, 9th	Messy Church 11:00 a.m. Gingerbread Nativity and Hot Chocolate Cafe
Tuesday, 12th	Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m. / Advent Study 7:45 p.m. on Zoom or stay in person at the church after the service
Wednesday, 13th	Choir practice 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, 16th	Pageant Rehearsal 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, 17th	Anointing with prayers for healing at both 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, 19th	Tuesday Compline 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 20th	Choir practice 7:15 p.m.
Sunday, 24th	8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services, Fourth Sunday of Advent
	4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service with Pageant
	9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Traditional Service
Monday, 25th	10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Service

Note: No compline on Tuesday, December 26th

SAVE THIS DATE!

Our Annual Vestry Meeting will be on Sunday February 25th, 2024
following the 10:00 a.m. service

A silhouette illustration of a nativity scene against a dark blue night sky with stars. On the left, three camels are being ridden by figures. In the center, a manger is shown with a baby in a manger, Mary, and Joseph. To the right, a donkey and a shepherd with a staff are visible. The background features palm trees and a bright light source behind the manger.

**CHRISTMAS
SERVICES**

CHRISTMAS EVE
4:30 p.m. Family Service
with Pageant
9:00 p.m. Traditional Service

CHRISTMAS DAY
10:00 a.m. Communion Service

**NOTE: Sunday, Dec. 24th: regular
8 a.m. and 10 a.m. services,
Fourth Sunday of Advent.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO VAL SEALES, ODT!

Bishop Andrew Asbil has selected Val Seales as a member of the Order of the Diocese of Toronto.

The purpose of the Order is to recognize and honour those members of the laity in the Diocese who have given outstanding service over a significant period of time in their volunteer ministry.

Congratulations Val from all of us - and thank you for all you do for St. Matthew! The presentations will be made at the Bishop's Levee at St. James Cathedral on the Feast of the Naming of Jesus, January 1.

All are welcome to attend (Said Eucharist at 12:15 pm, Reception and Receiving Line at 1:30 pm, Festive Music at 3:00 pm, Choral Evensong at 3:30 pm with Presentations).

We will also celebrate Val here at St Matthew with a special coffee hour celebration in January - stay tuned!

Opportunities to serve!

There are many ministry opportunities open at St. Matthew. We need your help! If you would like to learn more, speak to Rev. Sherri or one of the wardens. The opportunities include but are not limited to...

Sidespeople, Greeters, Live-Streaming Support, Counters, Messy Church, Children and Youth, Hospitality, Altar Guild, Readers, Intercessors, Choir Members and Instrumentalists, and more...



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
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.

End of Year Givings - Update from Reverend Sherri and your Churchwardens

Thank you to all our parishioners for your wonderful generosity in supporting the ministry and mission of St. Matthew the Apostle Oriole.

We had some unexpected expenses including a new furnace needed at the rectory, as the 17-year-old furnace broke down in the month of November.

We are confident, however, as in years past, that with your generosity and following the historic trend of seeing an up-tick in givings at the end of year, that we can successfully close the gap.

To help us end the year in a strong financial position, we encourage those who may not be up to date and current in their givings to please consider catching up before the end of December, and thank you to all for considering an end of year gift. All donations will receive a charitable tax donation receipt.

If you'd like more information on becoming a Regular Giver and supporting the ministries of St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole, either through regular Envelopes or Pre-Authorized Remittance, please contact Rev Sherri, or one of the Wardens or Sandra Lumb, our Envelope Secretary, at treasurer@stmatthew.ca

Five Ways to Give!

1. Pre-Authorized Giving

Ask a Sidesperson for the form

Contact Rev Sherri, or one of the Wardens or Sandra Lumb, our Envelope Secretary, at treasurer@stmatthew.ca

Also, available from our [Website](#)

2. eTransfer

The email for the eTransfer is treasurerstmatt@gmail.com

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

3. Cheque

Mail

Put it in the plate during the service.

Put in the Black Mail box (locked) at the George Henry entrance.

Your weekly/monthly envelope

Make payable to: St. Matthew the Apostle, Oriole Anglican Church

4. Cash

Your weekly/monthly envelope on the plate

Put in the Black Mail box (locked) at the George Henry entrance.

5. CanadaHelps

You can give online through our [Website](#) or directly at CanadaHelps

Prayer Walk



On Saturday November 25th, St. Matthew Oriole joined with our neighbours from Advent Lutheran church for a Community Prayer Walk. We walked, prayed, and kept our eyes and ears open: Who are our neighbours? What is God up to in our community? How are we called to connect

PRIEST-IN-CHARGE CONTACT INFORMATION

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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 or 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
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Sidespeople 8:00	Trevor Evans
10:00	Valerie Seales
Music Director/Organist	David Braund
Envelope Secretary	Sandra Lumb
Synod Representative	Margaret Gordon Allen
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