

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

News and Inspiration from St. Andrew's United Church, Georgetown, ON

Thursday, November 13, 2025

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

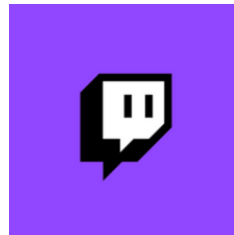


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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship this Week - Sunday, November 16th

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost-Year C-Proper 28

The Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

The Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

Sermon: 'Good News About Hair'

Scripture Reader: Graeme Thompson

Coffee Time: Margaret Storey and Lucy Oversby

Offering Counters: Susan Quirk and Ross Yahiro

Front Door Greeter: Florence Riehl

[Please click here to view this week's Order of Service](#)



Scripture Summary

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

Humour Corner

Why did Noah have to punish the chickens on the Ark?
They were using fowl language!

Membership Announcements

Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting has been called for **Sunday, November 30th**, following worship. More information will follow after the Board Meeting on Tuesday evening.

Candle Lighters for Advent

A sign-up sheet for Advent candle lighters and readers is posted outside the sanctuary. Please consider adding your name and taking part this Advent season. Thank you to all of our volunteers!

Candles - Free to Take

There is a box of used candles under the mail slots. Feel free to help yourself.



The 11th Annual Christmas Craft Show

A heartfelt thank you to Joanne Wardle for once again coordinating this year's show and overseeing the vendors. Her dedication and the many hours she puts in are the reason this event continues to be such a success year after year. Thank you as well to Margaret and Michelle Yahiro for all the behind-the-scenes administrative work.

We are grateful to the entire committee: Joanne Wardle (Chairperson), Colleen Armstrong, Jennifer Holloway, Valerie Jordan, Joan Lovegrove, Kathy

MacLeod, Christina, Ashley and Jennifer Martin, Linda McKinnon, Marie McMaster, Jan and Bill Pennycook, Pat Moore, Gail Bancroft, Jo-Anne O'Quinn, and Margaret and Ross Yahiro.

Last year set a record for the Bake Sale, and while we wondered if we could top it, this year's Bake Sale exceeded expectations, raising over \$3,300! Thank you to Marie and Jennifer, their helpers, all of our talented bakers, and all the buyers for contributing to this amazing success.

The Silent Auction also surpassed last year's total by about \$600, with \$4,369 in bids. Thank you to everyone who donated items, including local businesses, and a special thank you to those who canvassed. We also appreciate everyone who bid!

The raffle made a little less than last year but still raised an impressive \$795! Thank you to Colleen and Ross for running the very successful cafe and to the volunteers who made soup! The Café earned about \$100 more than last year, raising almost \$600 before expenses and selling out nearly everything.

Ticket sales increased as well, totaling \$1,174.60, all of which will be donated to Cancer Assistance Halton Hills (formerly CASHh).

This year's Christmas Craft Show committee is thrilled with the overall fundraising effort—over \$12,500 before expenses. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported this event!

Special thanks to all St. Andrew's members and friends who assisted before, during, and after the Craft Show. A special thank you to Valerie Jordan for the beautiful decorations and signage, and her volunteers for setting up the Christmas trees. Thank you to the team who assembled gift baskets and prepared the raffle and silent auction items.

A round of applause for everyone who donated items or baked goods, and for those who helped on the day of the event—setting up, collecting ticket money, and assisting with the Raffle, Silent Auction, Bake Sale, and Café.

A heartfelt thank you to the 4th Georgetown Scouting group for helping at the ticket table, operating the elevator, and assisting wherever needed.

A big thank you to our Santa Claus, who generously volunteered his time and brought great joy to the event!

Thank you to the volunteers who handled the raffle and silent auction preparations, setup, registrations, and winner recordings, and to those who stayed afterward to call the winners. Thank you also to everyone who stayed late to help with the big job of cleaning up, and to those who returned Sunday to help with raffle and silent auction pick-ups.

A special thank you to Stephanie Scott for the extra work she contributed before and after the event.

While we haven't listed every name to ensure no one is missed, please know that we deeply appreciate everyone involved—including all who attended and helped make this event such a success.

Congratulations and thank you to the 2025 Christmas Craft Show Committee for another outstanding event!

If you have announcements, milestones to celebrate, or photos to share for next week's News from the Pews, please send them to the office by Wednesday.

St. Andrew's Announcements



Used Batteries

The program with the hospital is being discontinued. Please bring in your used batteries to the church by **Sunday, December 7th** in support of the Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association. Thank you!



St. Andrew's Christmas Tree of Warmth & Food Drive

This year we are changing the "mitten" tree to the Tree Of Warmth. Starting Nov. 23rd the tree will once again be placed in the Fellowship Room. We are asking for mittens, scarves, hats, socks and other warm items for both children and adults alike. Gift cards are also welcome for places like Walmart, Shoppers Drug Mart, etc.

We will also be setting out boxes for the Christmas food drive. Let's think outside of the box, baby food (not formula), pet food, etc. Cheques are also welcome as the food bank can use these in order to buy food wholesale. Gift cards are also welcome.

If you have a truck, van, or SUV and can assist with delivering the food items to the food bank, we'd be very grateful. Please contact Nora or the office if you are able to help!



Poinsettia Memorial Donations

For a minimum donation of \$10, you can dedicate a poinsettia in memoriam. The money will be used to decorate our sanctuary and any remaining donations will go into our general fund.

There are poinsettia Memorial Donation Envelopes on the Welcome Table.

**We would appreciate having donations
in by Sunday, December 14th**





Weekly Bible Study

Every Thursday at 10:00am

Nov 13 Thursday Weekly Bible Study

Lesson 10 – 2 Samuel 12

God's Severe Mercy – Nathan Rebukes David

Observe God's severe and merciful
discipline in the life of David

Consider how and why God disciplines us today

Circle of Friends

**The 2nd, 4th, 5th Friday
of the Month**

Join us for our next meeting

Friday, November 14 at
9:30 am in the Fellowship room



Date Change: Saturday, November 15th

ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH

MEN'S
Breakfast

CLUB

at 9 AM at the legion.

All are invited to join us!



The Children, Youth and Friends of
St. Andrew's Present:

CANDY CANE LANE



Saturday, December 6th

More details to follow.

Sunday, December 7th

10 am in the Gym

The cast has been hard at work on our
Christmas Play! Please join us for
a fantastic show!



The St. Andrew's Choir Presents:

I HEAR THE PROPHET CALLIN'

By Pepper Choplin

Sunday, December 14th at 10:00AM

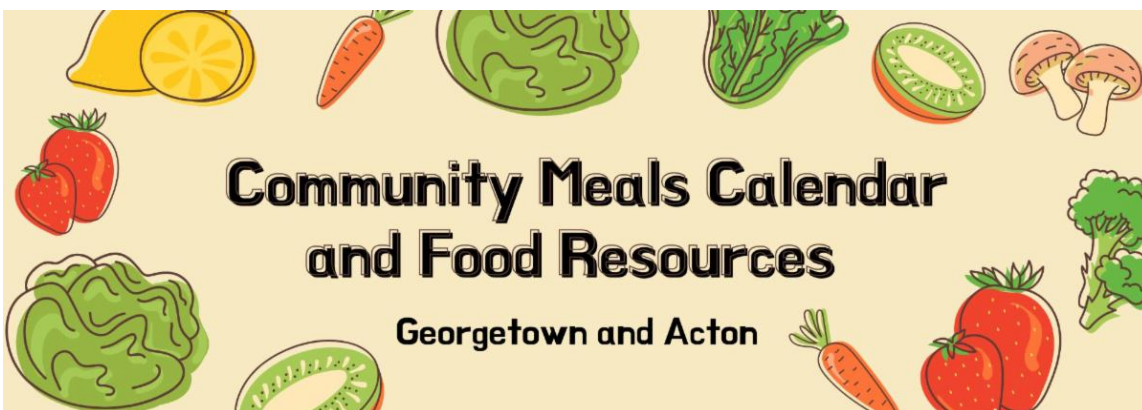
A Musical Celebration at

St. Andrew's United Church

Donations to the food bank gratefully accepted



Community Announcements



Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton

[Click here to view November's calendar, as well as more details about local food resources](#)

Transgender

Day of Remembrance

Vigil to mourn those lost to anti-trans violence

When

7.00pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 20th November 2025

Where

Norval United Church

14015 Danby Rd., Georgetown



If anyone would be interested in being a part of the naming of the names or other parts of the service/vigil, please contact the office.



THE ELAINE JONES TEAM

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WINTER MARKET**

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FROM 2PM TO 7PM**

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Christmas

GIFTS

FOOD

VENDOR SALE

CRAFT

ART

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HALTON WOMEN'S PLACE

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NOVEMBER 15TH
2025

10am-2pm

St.Clair Masonic Hall
6321 Regional Rd 25,
Milton

Free entry!



Songs of Hope & Peace



In support of

MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES
DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS

Tickets

\$35

\$30 from each ticket will go directly to

Doctors Without Borders

Available online at:
John Elliott Theatre
Box Office

Details

We hope, as well, to have
an MSF volunteer share
their experiences with us.

Friday November 21
7 to 9pm

John Elliott Theatre

Jim
Broughton
Heartwood
Ridge

*Special
Guests*

Joe
McLellan
That
Band



TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE & BAKE SALE

Saturday, November 22, 2025
9am to 2pm
70 Mill Street East, Acton

THE BRAMPTON ROSE ORCHESTRA AND
GRACE UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS:

FESTIVE CAROL CONCERT 2025



Join us for an enchanting evening filled with festive
music and holiday cheer!

**FEATURING GRAMMY AND JUNO-WINNING ARTIST
LIBERTY SILVER**

**Pay what you can concert in support of
Regeneration Outreach Community**



NOVEMBER 22, 2025 | 7:00 PM

**Grace United Church
156 Main Street North Brampton, ON
Doors open at 6:30 PM**



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Partnering for Climate Responsibility

Credit: The United Church of Canada



When members of the Diakonia of The United Church of Canada (DUCC) prepared to travel to Tanzania for the World Diakonia Conference, they knew their flights would carry a heavy carbon cost. Together, they decided to take collective responsibility for that footprint.

At the time, The United Church of Canada didn't yet have a carbon offset program. DUCC members were determined to find a credible and meaningful way to act. They reached out to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and contributed to its Nature+ program, which supported communities in Kenya, Ethiopia, Mozambique, and Zimbabwe who were revitalizing the land through nature-based solutions: planting trees, restoring soil, improving biodiversity, and strengthening food security.

Their example inspired change. Because of the DUCC members' faithful leadership in charting a path, the United Church established a carbon offset option through Mission and Service. This made it possible for anyone travelling for church work or personal reasons to contribute to a climate action project supported by Mission and Service and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Through this partnership, the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) is working closely with communities in Kitui County to provide training on conservation agriculture and other sustainable farming techniques, beekeeping, and land and water conservation, reaching more than 11,000 people adapt to climate change. The United Church accompanies the NCCK on this exciting climate initiative.

What began as one group's effort to travel responsibly grew into an ongoing movement of faithful action. Today, your gifts for Mission and Service continue to support this carbon offset program, caring for creation and planting seeds of hope around the world.

WAYS TO GIVE

We thank all those that continue to support our Church with your giving!



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Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history. We acknowledge and thank the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation for sharing their traditional territory with us.



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