



LENT 2023

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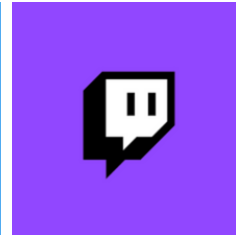
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NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday March 9, 2023

We stream our worship services Sundays at 10 am
on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitter, Twitch & 100.3 FM
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Worship This Week **Sunday, March 12** **Theme: Lent 3:** **Will you give me a drink?**

Series: Seeking: Honest Questions for a Deeper Faith

This week we continue our Lent Series called Seeking. For week three we are looking at the passage about the encounter at the well with a Samaritan woman and Jesus.

This story is found in the Gospel of John, Chapter 4, and it is a powerful account of how Jesus met a Samaritan woman at a well and changed her life forever. The story takes place in Samaria, which was a region that the Jews avoided because they considered the Samaritans to be impure. Jesus, however, was on his way to Galilee, and he had to pass through Samaria. When he arrived at a well in the town of Sychar, he sat down to rest while his disciples went to buy food.

As Jesus sat there, a Samaritan woman came to the well to draw water. Jesus asked her for a drink, which surprised the woman because Jews did not usually associate with Samaritans. However, Jesus explained that if she knew who he was, she would have asked him for living water.

The living water is what comes through our faith in Jesus. If we are seeking a deeper meaning in our lives, Jesus can offer that.

In the service we will explore how we can find deeper meaning in our faith as we seek to fill ourselves spiritually.

Old Testament Scripture Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

New Testament Scripture Reading: John 4:5-42

Meditation: What are you Thirsty for?



SCRIPTURE SUMMARY

John 4:5-42

She asked, "Why are you, a Jewish man, asking me for a drink? Don't you know that I am a Samaritan?" Jesus responded, "If you knew who I am, you would be asking me for living water."



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3rd Sunday in Lent / Year A

MAIN IDEA: We can take care of each other, especially when we are different.



vessel

The Seeking logo was designed by Lauren Wright Pittman. Do you see the vessel? The vessel represents the jar the woman leaves behind at the well after meeting Jesus. **Color the vessel in the graphic above.**



In Memorium Jean Lawr

With sadness we announce that Jean Lawr passed away Saturday, March 4, 2023. Jean was a long time member of St. Andrew's United Church. There will not be any funeral service held at this time. We extend our prayers and condolences to her family and friends with this loss.

"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble."

~ Psalm 46:1

[Please click here to access Jean's obituary and guestbook](#)



Circle of Friends

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

The next meeting is tomorrow,
Friday March 10th at 10:00 am in the
Fellowship room



Lenten Lunch Conversations

Join us in Lenten conversations on Wednesdays at noon each week as we explore deep questions during Lent.

Please bring your own lunch.

Thursday Bible Study

Our weekly bible study is held on Thursdays at 10 AM in the Fellowship room. Come and join us for some lively discussion on the bible.

Broadview Magazine Renewals



Thank you to everyone who renewed or signed up for their magazine on Sunday.

We still have 3 trial subscriptions available if you have never subscribed before but would like to try it free for a year. A great offer.

Please contact Colleen Armstrong or Ginny Morecroft if you wish to take advantage of this offer.



Our Daily Bread Booklets

The April/May/June edition is now available!

Please find them on the table across from the Office. A donation of \$1 would be greatly appreciated.



Free Community Dinner
Happy St. Patrick's Day!

FRIDAY MARCH 17TH, 2023

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Anyone wanting takeout or delivery in Georgetown, please contact the office.
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Sat March 18, 2023

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

MEN'S Breakfast
CLUB

at 9 AM
at the legion.

All are invited to join us! Email the office to join!



The Out of the Cold program 'housed' at Knox Presbyterian Church in downtown Georgetown continues through the cold nights of March. An evening meal, safe overnight accommodation, and a simple breakfast is offered to anyone who desires it. Some of our St. Andrew's volunteers have had to drop out for a variety of reasons. We have a particular need of volunteers for the overnight shift (11pm-6am) and the morning shift (6-8am). For more information please contact Ross Leckie.



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

5 PM & 6:30 PM

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

\$10 adults / \$7 kids 5-12

Kids under 5 free!

Tickets include spaghetti, salad, bread, beverage and dessert.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT 4TH GEORGETOWN CUB SCOUTS



It starts with Scouts.

[Click here to order tickets and help the Cubs fund their trip to Haliburton](#)

We are asking families to share Easter with another family.
Any donation however small is greatly received.
Donations will be dispersed in the Easter Basket Brigade.

EASTER BASKET BRIGADE



Community
UNITY Food
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vulnerable Families



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Gift Cards and Monetary Donations
can be dropped off at the church office
until March 16, 2023.



Georgetown Bread Basket

If you are thinking of making a donation to the Georgetown Bread Basket this month, the items in most need are peanut butter, canned pasta, canned fruit, juice boxes, ketchup, sugar, chicken noodle or rice soup, pancake mix and syrup. Items can be dropped off at the church.



United Church Mission & Service Fund



Religion in the Service of Humanity

The entanglement of religion and politics in the Middle East often divides communities and leads to conflict, particularly among young people. “We all agreed that it is important to focus on universal values and ethics, reject extremism, and make the necessary efforts to develop practical formulas for

fruitful cooperation,” says Rima Bayan Sleem, a 33-year-old judicial assistant from Chouf, Lebanon.

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Thanks to your Mission & Service gifts, Rima and 36 other young adults gathered in Beirut, Lebanon, for the World Student Christian Federation-Middle East Region (WSCF-ME) 2021. They participated in an Interfaith Dialogue program that develops leaders skilled in preventing violence and fostering peace between communities.

WSCF-ME’s role is to be a mediator of peace and understanding amid all the overwhelming regional issues that include sectarian strife. “The Interfaith Dialogue program’s importance lies in the fact that it brings together youth from different religious backgrounds...to engage in a constructive peace-facilitating dialogue,” says Mira Neimeh, Regional Executive for WSCF-ME. “I personally believe that change is done in small steps, starting from our regional gatherings that sow seeds of peace to be reaped in the future.”

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Your Mission & Service gifts help leaders in the Middle East and across the world collaborate and promote peaceful dialogue.

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This past Saturday we lost a long-term member of St. Andrew's. Jean Lawr passed away on Saturday night after suffering a stroke at her residence in Milton. Jean was very active in the life of our church and she loved to tell stories and share her thoughts with people. There isn't planning to be any funeral service held for her.

As a faith community, we hope to mark her passing with an opportunity to have a time for people to share their stories and memories of Jean after church on March 19th. Jean loved to dress up for special occasions and was a true monarch. She had a good collection of Royal figurines, teacups and books of the royal family. To honour her, feel free to wear your favourite royal outfit on that Sunday. At coffee time we will allow people to share their memories of her. We will sadly miss Jean and the laughs she shared with us. May she rest in peace. May God reign over her and may she be comforted in heaven.

In other news, the Community Unity group is running our Basket Brigade Easter drive again. We have about 150 families to serve this year in Georgetown and we need your help by donating gift cards. A gathering will happen on Saturday March 25th at the Georgetown Christian Reformed Church to pack up items that are donated and then deliver them. If you are able to donate grocery gift cards or want to volunteer to help on March 25th please see me or send an email. Gift cards can be deposited into the offering plate on Sunday.

Blessings,
Grant



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