NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday September 14, 2023

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews





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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, September 17th

Thank you to Rev. Ross Leckie for leading us in worship this week!

Scripture Reading: Matthew 18: 1-7, 21-35

Meditation: The Hard Work of Building God's Kingdom



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

While our search team continues to work to find a new minister for St. Andrew's, our worship ministry has worked hard in planning speakers. We are so blessed to have so many people willing to lead worship for us. Join us on Sunday to hear these guest preachers!

September 17 – Rev. Ross Leckie September 24 – Rev. Ross Leckie October 1 – Rev. Jean Leckie October 8 – Rev. Sue Hertell



Scripture Summary

At that point Peter got up the nerve to ask, "Master, how many times do I forgive a brother or sister who hurts me? Seven?"

Jesus replied, "Seven! Hardly. Try seventy times seven.

Humour Corner

A mother called her son on Sunday morning to make sure he got out of bed and was ready for Church.

"I'm not going," he replied.

"Yes you are going, so get out of that bed!" his mother demanded.

"Give me ONE good reason why I should go," said her son.

"I'll give you THREE good reasons ... One, I'm your mother, and I say you're going. Two, you're 40 years old, so you're old enough to know better ... and three, you're the Pastor, so you need to be there."

Membership Announcements

Sept 17 - RALLY SUNDAY - Joanne and Nora are planning lunch following the service. We are also celebrating the baptism of Oliver Bryan Pepper son of Erynne (Scott) and Eric Pepper, grandson of Stephanie and Bryan Scott.

Join us Rally Sunday to kick off the new church year, catch up with friends, ask questions you may have, find out where you can make a difference!

COFFEE HOUR: See posted sign up sheets for October. Directions for coffee time are posted on the bulletin board in the large kitchen.

We need at least 2 people to set up and serve each Sunday and folks to help set up and take down tables and chairs.

Photo Sessions for October: sign up online, in person on Sunday or by phone 905-877-4482 or emailing the office: <<u>office@standrewsuc.ca</u>> or by clicking on the button below.

Please click here to sign up online

St. Andrew's Announcements



Sunday, Sept 17th at 10am

Bring your family and friends and celebrate Rally Sunday, all are welcome!

Please join us for a bbq after the service!

Sign up for groups, programs, and volunteer opportunities for the new fall season!

CHOIR PRACTICE

Thursday September 14th 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

Please join us for our first choir practice of the new year! Sue has been putting together new music and some other anthems for the fall and a Christmas program that she is certain you will all love!





Please click here for more details and the application form



Weekly Bible Study

10am every Thursday
Letter to Timothy
Invite your friends. Add to your spiritual journey.

Community Announcements



GFORCe3 supporting Afghan Families

GFORCe3 (Georgetown Friends of Refugees Committee 3) is thrilled to announce that the first of our two Afghan refugee families is expected to arrive in Canada in October 2023. GFORCe3 will continue to provide financial and moral support to the second family, who are still in hiding while they await their immigration process and documentation.

These two families are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to live safely in Canada. We will now help our Afghan friends find accommodation and jobs. GFORCe3 thanks the many, kind hearted people in our town for their financial and moral support. You are all amazing!

Other than indigenous peoples, our ancestors have all been immigrants to Canada at one point in time. Here's to our own brave families, from generations ago or more recently, who took the leap to create a bright future in Canada for their families. Lucky us!!





Breaking Down Barriers to Education

Every Child has the right to Learn

Credit: The United Church of Canada



Where would you be if you had no education? School fees, violence, child labour, and discrimination mean that too many children can't go to or stay in school in parts of the world.

Every child has the right to learn.

Mission and Service partner Kenya Alliance for Advancement of Children (KAACR) brings together child rights organizations to share information about child protection and safeguarding and helps to support children in schools. Thanks to your support, KAACR has established over 300 child rights clubs in schools. One of these clubs helped Meshack through primary school. A bursary program has helped him pay high school fees, and the child rights club at his school is teaching him how to be a positive role model.

"To start [going to] school was a problem. KAACR has helped me. They encouraged me a lot. They enabled me to start my primary school. Now I'm in high school," Meshack says. "The club is helping us a lot, too. They give us role models to teach us what is bad and help us be confident in whatever we are doing. I'm very happy."

Thank you for helping to break down barriers so every child can go to school, regardless of who they are, where they live, or how much money they have. Your generous support through <u>Mission and Service</u> means that children around the world have the opportunity to go to school thanks to partnerships with organizations like KAACR.

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If you have announcements to share in next week's News from the Pews, please send them to the office by Wednesday.



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.









We would love to share our News from the Pews! Please feel free to share with a friend...







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