

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, April 24, 2025

## St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

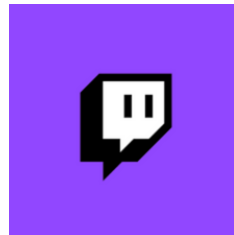


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## St. Andrew's United Church

### Worship this Week - Sunday, April 27th

**The 2nd Sunday after Easter**

**The Sacrament of Infant Baptism - Kasper Eki Haliniak**

**The Psalm Reading:** Psalm 150, VU 874

**The Gospel:** John 20:19-31

**The Sermon:** 'Sermon on Demand – Dinner with a Perfect Stranger'  
An Invitation Worth Considering by David Gregory

**Thank you to our volunteers this Sunday!**

Greeter: Joan Lovegrove

Scripture Reader: Jackie Gray

Potluck Coordinators: Colleen Armstrong and Marie McMaster



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## Scripture Summary

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

## Humour Corner

Why did the Easter egg go to church?  
*Because it heard the message was egg-cellent!*

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## Membership Announcements

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### **Silent Auction Sermon**

The Silent Auction Sermon on Demand was secured by Rick Armstrong. Rick requested a Sermon on the Book Dinner with a Perfect Stranger' by David Gregory. 'Imagine that an engraved invitation arrives addressed to you and invites you to dinner, with Jesus at a local restaurant.' Would you show up? What would you ask him if you had the chance?

### **Potluck**

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the celebration lunch this Sunday. Anyone bringing food please make sure to label your containers.

### **Sunday May 4th at Hillcrest**

Joint Service with the United Churches of Georgetown. The service is at Hillcrest United on Trafalgar Road at 8958 Trafalgar Rd, Georgetown. There will be no service at St. Andrew's on this day.

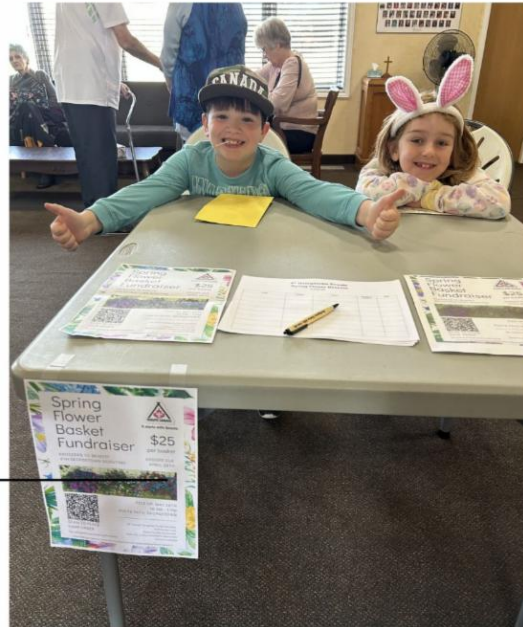
### **Coffee Time**

We are looking for volunteers for May 11th, 18th, 25th and for the month of June. Please consider signing up on the sign up sheets outside of the Sanctuary. Thank you to all of our volunteers!

### **Out of the Cold**

The Georgetown Out of the Cold program (at Knox Presbyterian Church) 'wrapped up for the season' about 12 days ago. An appreciation dinner was held Sunday evening, April 13. The Out of the Cold planning team would like to thank St. Andrew's United Church for the use of its facilities for their event.

## Spring at St. Andrew's



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

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## St. Andrew's Announcements

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## St. Andrew's Worship Schedule

**Sunday, May 4th, 10:30AM** - Joint service at Hillcrest United.  
8958 Trafalgar Rd. (no service at St. Andrew's)

**Sunday, May 11th** - Mother's Day

**Sunday, May 18th** - Scott Martin will be leading us in worship

**Sunday, June 8th, 10:00AM** - Joint service at Norval United to  
celebrate the 100th birthday of the United Church.

14015 Danby Rd. (no service at St. Andrew's)

## Circle of Friends

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

Join us for our next meeting  
Friday, April 25th at 9:30 am  
in the Fellowship room



## The Spirit of St. Andrew's Potluck Luncheon

**Sunday, April 27th**  
**In the gym following the Service**

Please join us this Sunday for our Potluck lunch  
where we'll announce the winner of  
the Easter Challenge and the chosen charity!



# Weekly Bible Study

***Every Thursday at 10:00am in the Fellowship room***

The Letter of Paul to the Romans  
Lesson Thirteen, Romans 9:30-10:21

Misguided Zeal

To consider Israeli's unbelief from the  
standpoint of human responsibility.



**MAY 3, 2025 | 10:00AM**

PRESENTED BY:



Walking to raise funds to build a  
hospice in North Halton.

Choice of 3 routes in either: Acton,  
Georgetown or Milton!

Participate solo or with a team. Everyone is welcome!

[WWW.TOWNSEND-SMITH.CA](http://WWW.TOWNSEND-SMITH.CA)

**JOIN  
US!**

**\$25 Registration Fee**



**HIKE FOR HOSPICE - We are walking to raise funds to build a hospice!** Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's United Churches along with other community reps will be walking as one team **UNITED4HOSPICE**, for a second year in a row to raise funds to build a hospice. The annual **Hike for Hospice is set for Sat. May 3, 2025 at 10:00AM**. There will be accessible and visible 5km and 2.5km routes running through Georgetown South, with Norval United Church serving as our start/finish location. Your support as a walker, sponsor or volunteer will help the **Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF)** build a hospice for North Halton. <https://townsend-smith.ca/hike4hospice/>

## Join as a Volunteer

We need a cadre of 45 volunteers from the 4 congregations to run the event on May 3rd at Norval UC. We could use your help with the Hike Route (serving as guides along the street route to provide safety and encouragement to walkers), Inside (checking-in and welcoming walkers), Outside (welcoming walkers, directing parking and assisting with outside activities).

## Join as a Walker or Sponsor someone else

It is time to build our team! We are inviting you to join the **UNITED4HOSPICE** team by signing-up as a walker or by sponsoring a familiar name from St. Andrew's. Please encourage your friends, neighbours, relatives and co-workers to sign up and join us on hike day.

You can register to be a walker, sponsor someone else, or donate to our team in general by using the **U4H** team's direct link <https://www.canadahelps.org/s/6WqJK3>

Please click here to join our team or sponsor a walker



 **ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH**  
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**NOW ACCEPTING: Spring and Summer Clothing**

## FREE CLOTHING ROOM

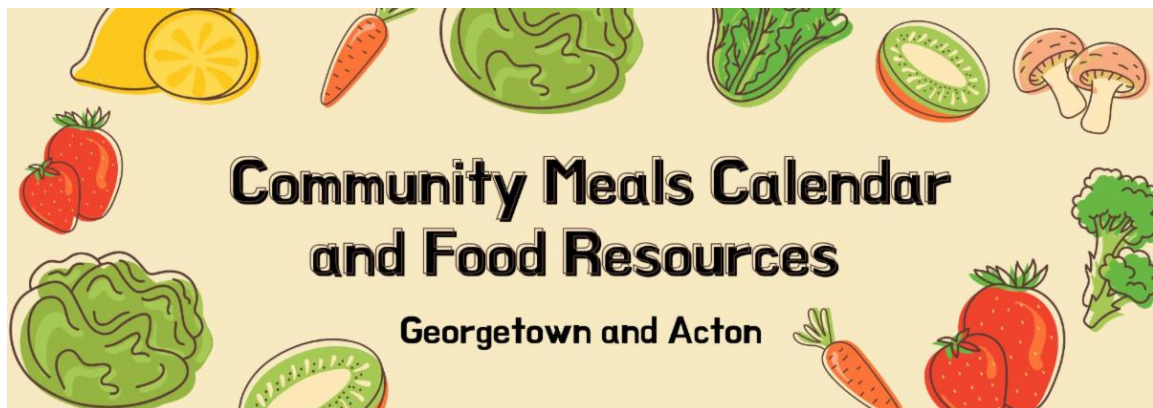
Clothing room hours:  
9:00am-12:00pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays

All are welcome!

Thank you for all of your donations!



## Community Announcements



## Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton

Please click here to view April's and May's meal calendar, as well as more details about local food resources

# Spring Flower Basket Fundraiser



It starts with Scouts.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT  
4TH GEORGETOWN SCOUTING



## \$25

per basket

ORDERS DUE  
APRIL 28TH

PICK UP: MAY 24TH  
10 AM - 1 PM

POETS PATH, GEORGETOWN

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10" mixed hanging flower baskets  
Full to part sun  
Colours vary by basket  
Specific colour requests cannot be  
accommodated

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VISIT & PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY

<https://4th-georgetown-scouts.square.site/product/10-mixed-hanging-flower-basket/21>

YOU WILL RECEIVE EMAIL CONFIRMATION

Lochlan will be taking orders on Sunday if you can click here to place your order online

**SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025**

**8:00AM TO 10:30AM**



**GRAB AND GO OR SIT AND EAT**



Coffee Tea Orange Juice  
Breakfast Sandwich  
Breakfast Pastry

Good Will Donation  
A Fundraiser for GFORCe3  
Supporting Our Refugee Family

Norval United Church, 14015 Danby Road, Georgetown



# ★ CLOTHING FOR A CAUSE ★



## Clothing sale for women



100% of the earnings go to  
charity

# \$1 AN ITEM

KEEP YOUR STYLE!

 **\*\*Date:\*\* Saturday, May 31st**

 **\*\*Time:\*\* 9 AM - 1 PM**

 **\*\*Location:\*\* St. Andrews Church Hall, 89  
Mountainview Rd S, Georgetown**



The Elaine Jones Team will be hosting their Clothing Sale at St. Andrew's on May 31st. All proceeds will be donated to the Townsend Smith Foundation in support of building North Halton's First Hospice.

# STEM camp<sup>®</sup>

Registration for Summer Camp 2025 is OPEN!

STEM Camp is a Canadian not-for-profit whose mission is to inspire youth through hands-on activities in STEM areas, to promote discovery, reward curiosity, and leave kids amazed at what they can do!

**Join Us!**

- Ages 5-13
- Coding, robotics, Minecraft, LEGO and more
- Hands-on learning
- Running weekly, Jun. 30 - Aug. 22
- So much fun!

This is not a school-board sponsored activity

STEM Camp is coming to a location near you for summer camp 2025! We can't wait for your camper to join us for Minecraft, LEGO, and messy, awesome FUN! For more information and to register, visit:

[www.STEMcamp.ca](http://www.STEMcamp.ca)

STEM camp at St. Andrew's this summer! [Click here for more details.](#)



United Church Mission & Service Fund

## Changing the Narrative: Young Voices for Climate Justice

These young leaders are now poised to advocate for climate

justice and inspire their communities.

*Credit: The United Church of Canada*



In 2024, Mission and Service partner the World Student Christian Federation Asia-Pacific collaborated with the Bangladesh Student Christian Movement on a workshop called “Youth Leading Change: Climate Justice through Cultural Movement.” Through discussions and activities, it aimed to raise awareness among young people about climate challenges and empower them to take local actions.

Over four days, 50 passionate students from various regions of Bangladesh came together to address the critical issue of climate change. They explored the severe impacts that climate change has on communities and livelihoods in Bangladesh, particularly the displacement caused by floods. Floods force families to migrate to Dhaka, now one of the world’s most densely populated cities.

The heart-wrenching stories of displaced families deeply resonated with the participants, igniting their determination to drive change. Equipped with knowledge and tools, these young leaders are now poised to advocate for climate justice and inspire their communities.

Your generous support of Mission and Service helps make empowering work like this possible. Thank you.

# WAYS TO GIVE

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



**CASH & CHEQUE**



**CANADA HELPS**



SCAN ME for more details



**ETRANSFERS TO  
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Our Charitable Registration Number is: 892633462RR0001

*Sent with love* 

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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