

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday June 6, 2024

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

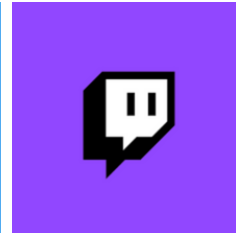


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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, June 9th

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA'S 99TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Norval • Hillcrest • St. Andrew's • St. John's

Sunday June 9th at 10:00 AM

Norval United

14015 Danby Rd, Georgetown

Please join us for a combined service at
Norval United. There will be no service at
St. Andrew's on this day.

Join us **June 9th** as Norval United (14015 Danby Rd.) hosts all four Georgetown United Churches as we celebrate The United Church of Canada's 99th Anniversary and look ahead to 100 years! Guest speaker, Rev. Robin Wardlaw will reflect on the UCC's rich history and how we today will move into the centennial anniversary year with deep spirituality, bold discipleship and daring justice. Please join us in-person or via livestream on Norval's [Facebook page](#) or [YouTube channel](#).

Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday, June 9th will include special music and refreshments before and after the service. There will be activities for children and youth and all families are welcome! Our loose offering that morning will be in support of the North Halton Hospice – something that all four Georgetown UC's have been working together to support and bring this dream to our community.

You can also donate online to support the hospice via the [Townsend Smith Foundation](#). We hope that you will join us for a great celebration together!





Thank you to Jean Leckie and the Sunday School for decorating our bulletin board!

Humour Corner

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible. -- George Burns

Membership Announcements

Rev. Kate will not be joining the congregation at Norval on Sunday, and instead will be celebrating at the other St. Andrew's (not at our church) with her husband, Neil. On behalf of the St. Andrew's family we send our congratulations to Neil on his retirement!

Join us in honouring 41 years in ministry
& 9 years at St. Andrew's

The Rev. Neil Young's
RETIREMENT
Party



11 AM

worship

**NEXT
SUNDAY
JUNE 9**

12 PM

lunch

Membership Notes

Thank you to everyone who came out to our church picnic last Sunday! Unfortunately with the rain we had to move it to the church but we had a wonderful service, potluck lunch and games!

June 9th is the joint service at Norval UC kicking off the anniversary celebrations of the United Church of Canada which turns 100 in 2025.

During the month of July, St. John's will be worshipping with us and in August we will close our church and attend St. John's.



LOOKING FOR PHOTOS
Please submit photos of
your father and grandfathers
for our Father's Day Service
on June 16th!
Please send to:
office@standrewsuc.ca

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.

St. Andrew's Announcements



Saturday, June 8th
ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH
MEN'S
Breakfast
CLUB
at 9 AM at the legion.
All are invited to join us!



ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH
www.standrewsuc.ca (905) 877-4482
ST. ANDREW'S
FREE COMMUNITY DINNER
Friday, June 21st
Doors Open at 5:30 PM
The third Friday of every month.
Please contact the office
if you would like takeout.



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

JULY: We are pleased to welcome St. John's congregation for worship at St. Andrew's for the month of July!

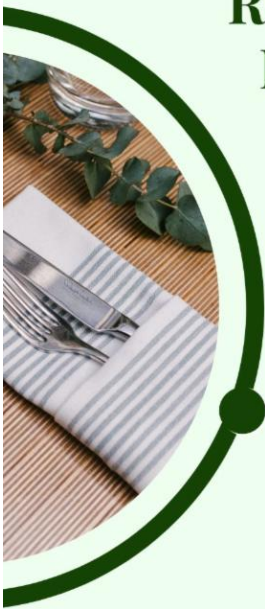
AUGUST: We look forward to worshipping at St. John's United, there will be no services at St. Andrew's.

Community Announcements



The United Churches of Georgetown
Hillcrest • Norval • St. Andrew's • St. John's

The UNITED 4 HOSPICE (U4H) team is comprised of volunteers from the four Georgetown United Churches (Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's) who are working as one to assist the Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF) with its goal to build North Halton's first hospice residence on the current Hillcrest site. The U4H supports and promotes two key TSF events to educate the wider Georgetown community about the purpose of a hospice and the Foundation's plan to build one to serve the residents of North Halton. The next events are the annual Candlelight Vigil in October and the annual Hike for Hospice in May 2025. U4H successfully organized the first Hike for Hospice to be held in Georgetown this past May. Further information about the Candlelight Vigil will be forthcoming in the Fall.



Rotary Club of Georgetown Free Community Dinners

Everyone is welcome.

Donations to cover the cost of those who are able to would be appreciated.

Fri. June 7th at 6:00pm

Doors open at 5:30pm

Knox Presbyterian Church
116 Main St. S, Georgetown ON



Looking for Large Suitcase Donations



If you have any old suitcases to donate, someone is looking for large suitcases to take to a charity overseas. Please contact the office.



Please click [here](#) to view June's meal calendar, as well as more details about local food resources.



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Advocating for Sexual and Gender Minorities in Other Countries

"This is a life or death matter"



We are blessed to live in Canada, a country that recognizes the right to love whoever you want, regardless of their gender or sex. And while we haven't always done what is right, The United Church of Canada now recognizes that all love—including Two Spirit or LGBTQIA+ relationships—is holy and blessed by God. But those rights do not exist in many parts of the world today.

"One of our partners in Kenya has advocated strongly for the human rights of sexual minorities, and that has caused him to be in jail, caused him to risk his life to be able to do that," says the Rev. Michael Blair. The church's first openly gay General Secretary is now helping to advocate for sexual and gender minorities in foreign countries.

"When we hear these stories, we can see that this is a life and death matter." Your gifts for Mission and Service help shelter refugees as they escape repressive governments. As of May 2024, 64 jurisdictions criminalize private, consensual, same-sex sexual activity, and 12 countries have jurisdictions in which the death penalty is imposed or at least a possibility for private, consensual, same-sex sexual activity.

Mission and Service also holds consultations in other countries to discover how we can best work with our partners to protect sexual and gender minorities. "A few years ago, we hosted a consultation here in Canada with several partners and asked how we can be supportive of their work," Blair says. "They told us we needed to come and help in their context."

To date, Mission and Service has supported consultations in Latin America and the Philippines.

"We are bringing together leaders to explore how the church can be a place of liberation and life for sexual and gender minorities in those communities. That is happening because of the folks who contribute to Mission and Service," says Blair.

Thank you for helping to protect sexual and gender minorities. You are saving lives and changing views around the world!

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