NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday April 11, 2024

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews





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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday April 14th

Thank you to Rev. Kate Young for leading us in worship this week! We hope you can join us for our Sunday service and the Third Sunday of Easter.

Theme: Resurrection/Creation

The New Testament Reading: 1 John 3:1-7 The Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 36b-48

Sermon: 'Touching God'



Scripture Summary

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Humour Corner

A man fell off a cliff and was hanging precariously from a tree branch. He cried out "God, please help me!" God answered, "Have faith and I will protect you. Let go of the branch." The man, stunned, cried out, "Is there anyone else up there?"

Membership Announcements

REMINDER:

The Pastoral Care team

meets regularly and follows shut-ins, those experiencing health issues and losses.

Please make the office or a member of the team aware if you know of someone who requires a pastoral care visit.

Team members:

Colleen Armstrong, Marlene Beitz, Leslie Moore, Greg Howard, Margo Baird, Joan Lovegrove, Gail Bancroft, Joanne Wardle, Ross Leckie, Rev. Kate Young

St. Andrew's Announcements



Coffee Time Volunteers

We are looking for Volunteers for the month of April.
Please consider signing up on the sheets outside of the sanctuary or contact the office. Colleen will be unavailable and if we do not get volunteers, there will be no coffee time. Thank you to all of our volunteers!

Circle of Friends

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

Join us for our next meeting Friday, April 12th at 9:30 am in the Fellowship room





ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH

Breakfast CLUB

The breakfast this month is cancelled as the RCL will be hosting a Celebration of Life for one of their members. We send our prayers and condolences.

Earth Day Combined Church Service

"Something God Alone Can See"

Hillcrest • St. Andrew's • St. John's

10:00 am on Sunday, April 21st at St. Andrew's United Church Please join us as we welcome the congregations from Hillcrest and St. John's and worship as one.

The people of Hillcrest and St. John's United will be visiting St. Andrew's for this year's third combined service. The service will be led by Kate Young - St. Andrew's, with support from Sue Cowan - St. John's and Jenn Franczek - Hillcrest. Our combined voices will be raised and guided by Sue Whaley, Mark Peterson and our 3 church choirs. We are anticipating another joyful worship experience and we hope that members from the 3 congregations will stay afterwards to enjoy refreshments and further grow our friendship!



JOIN THE ST. ANDREW'S BASEBALL TEAM

Baseball season is just around the corner!
Our team needs more players (14 and up). The season runs from May 22nd to August 14th
Wednesday nights at 7pm. Anyone interested please contact Joanne Wardle or the office.

Thank You!



The Out of the Cold program has finished coverage for the season. A special thank you to all of the volunteers involved and all of the volunteers from St. Andrew's! They will be reopening in late November.

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BROADVIEW MAGAZINE RENEWALS

Broadview magazine renewals are due April
30th. The subscription rate is \$30 for the year.
This is still a savings of up to 28% off regular price. This is a very informative magazine covering a broad range of topics.
Ginny Morecroft and Colleen Armstrong will be taking new subscriptions and renewal orders.
Methods of Payment: cash, cheque made out to St. Andrew's UC or by Etransfer to:

standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com. Please include in the memo that it is for Broadview.

Weekly Bible Study

10am every Thursday
Book of Matthew. Invite your friends.
Add to your spiritual journey.



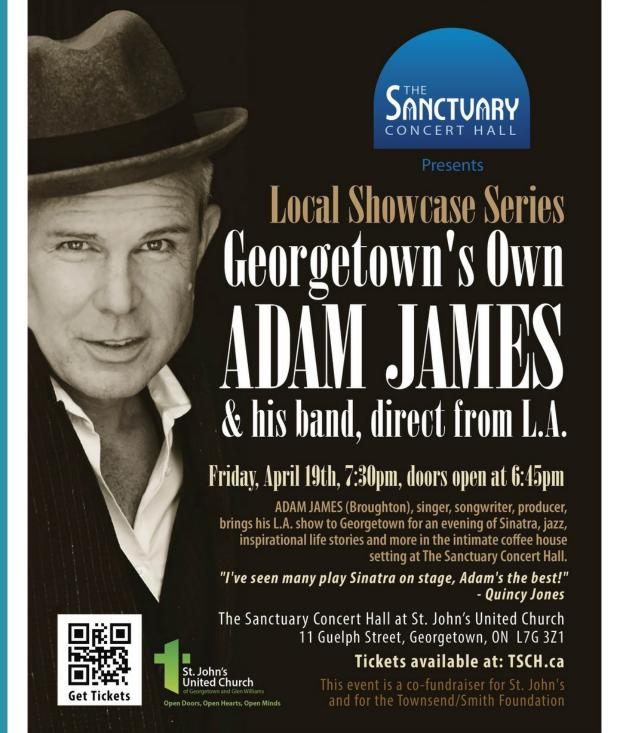
There is a team site for walkers from our four churches called UNITED4HOSPICE (U4H). Please Join us as a Walker or Sponsor by registering at the following link or by sponsoring one of our team members.

U4H hopes all four congregations will respond generously with their time and talents to assist with running the Georgetown hike. On May 4, we will need a cadre of 25 volunteers at our Norval United hike location. Please Join us as a Volunteer in one of the following roles:

- The Hike Route serving as guide along our Georgetown South route to provide safety and encouragement to walkers
- Inside checking-in and welcoming pre-registered walkers inside in the church Gathering Area
- Outside supervising and welcoming walkers as they enjoy the church front parking lot display of special cars, fire engine and food event truck Please contact Jean Leckie if you can help us.

Please click here to register and join our team or to sponsor one of our team members

Community Announcements



Trunk & Bake Sale

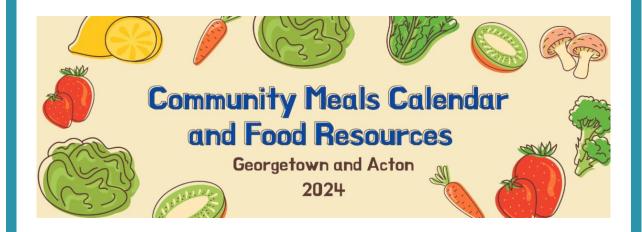
May 25, 2024 from 8:00 – 12:00 Norval United Church 14015 Danby Road, Georgetown



Do you have items you want to sell? Norval United Church is hosting a trunk sale on May 25, 2024. This is great opportunity to declutter your home and make some extra cash!

If you are interested in participating, the cost is \$20.00. To reserve your spot please contact hmcginn@rogers.com, brucecunnington@live.ca or phil.lynb@gmail.com.

Don't miss out on this chance to have a fun and profitable day at Norval United Church!



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



Supporting a Rights-Based Approach to Growing Food

ADES works closely with the community to grow food in a rural region of El Salvador.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



The Association of Economic and Social Development Santa Marta (ADES), a Mission and Service partner, is located in an area of Central America that is very vulnerable to climate change. This hot, dry region regularly experiences drought. Mining projects have also negatively affected the environment and the people in the region. ADES and other community organizations decided to act to protect the community's right to a healthy environment.

An example of how ADES has responded is a three-year agroecology project co-funded by the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation and The United Church of Canada Foundation, along with Mission and Service. Agroecology benefits the land and water because it recycles nutrients back into the soil. It also reduces production costs, lessening the financial burden on rural farmers.

In this project, ADES works closely with the community to grow food in a rural region of El Salvador, promoting sustainable agriculture that protects biodiversity, maintains the integrity of the land, and upholds rural culture. At the centre of the project is the Dora Alicia Sorto School Farm, where rural families, mainly led by women, learn about agroecology. The school provides training, technical expertise, and seeds indigenous to the region. It focuses on preserving the surrounding environment and on upholding gender and human rights as part of its approach to food security.

Your gifts to <u>Mission and Service</u> help support ADES' agroecology project. Thank you for your generosity!

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

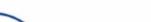






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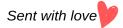




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If you have announcements to share or milestones to celebrate in next week's News from the Pews, please send them to the office by Wednesday.

Our Charitable Registration Number is: 892633462RR0001



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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