NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, October 2, 2025

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

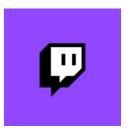




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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship this Week - Sunday, October 5th

World Wide Communion Sunday

Preparation for Worship: "A generous soul is blessed indeed!"

Scripture Readings: 2 Timothy 1:1-14, Luke 17:5-10

Meditation: Rekindle the Gift of God

Thank you to Rev. Ross Leckie for leading us in worship, to all the participants

in the service and to our Volunteers! Scripture Reader: Nora McClure

Coffee Time: Colleen Armstrong and Ginny Morecroft Offering Counters: Susan Quirk and Ross Yahiro

Front Door Greeter: Florence Riehl



Scripture Summary

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy.

Humour Corner

What do church members bring to the Thanksgiving potluck? *Acts of gravy-tude.*

Membership Announcements

Exploring Amalgamation Team Survey

The survey deadline has been extended to Tuesday evening and can be filled out with the same link. Thank you for your participation!



Sunday Service and EAT Meeting

Looking forward to seeing everyone this Sunday for our joint service with St. John's and Hillcrest celebrating World Wide communion.

In addition there will be a brief presentation on the results of the exploring amalgamation subgroups.

During coffee hour that will be an opportunity to share thoughts on what you've heard.

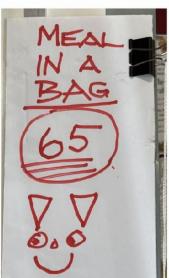
Thanks to all those who have signed up for refreshments and to assist with cleanup!











Last Sunday's Service

Last Sunday we observed the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation as we honoured the children who never returned home, the Survivors of residential schools, and their families and communities. It was wonderful to see so many wearing orange as a sign of support and remembrance.

We are also grateful to everyone who contributed to our Thanksgiving Food Drive, and a special thank you to Joanne for organizing! Thank you as well to

everyone who helped pack the bags and deliver them to the food bank. Together, we collected 65 thanksgiving meal bags, which were donated to the Georgetown Bread Basket.

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

St. Andrew's Announcements





Join us in welcoming St. John's and Hillcrest as we gather for a special combined service!

There will be a presentation and update on the EAT Process (Exploring Amalgamation Teams), which has been ongoing since our last Annual Meeting.

A continental type breakfast will be served.



Looking for Volunteers



The sign up sheets for the fall are now posted outside of the sanctuary! We are looking for coffee time volunteers, scripture readers, and greeters.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up, your help is greatly appreciated!



Weekly Bible Study

Every Thursday at 10:00am

Lesson 3 – 1 Samuel 20:1-42

True Friendship - David & Jonathan

To Learn something about true friendship through observing David's relationship to Jonathan.

Why are Friendships not just a Luxury but a necessity in Life?



VENDORS WANTED FOR

The St. Andrew's 11th Annual

Christmas Craft Show

Saturday, November 8th, 2025

Interested Vendors please email:
stacraftsale@hotmail.com



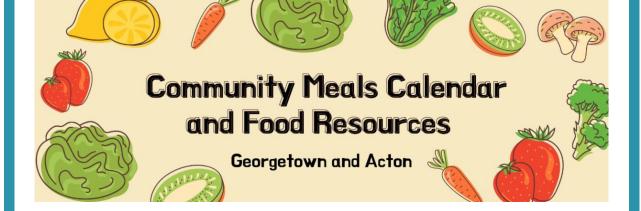
Click here to visit our website and download the registration form



Our Daily Bread Booklets

The October/November/December issue is now available! Please find them on the table across from the office. Donations to the Daily Bread would be greatly appreciated.





Click here to view October's calendar, as well as more details about local food resources



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 will be supporting and promoting 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 first event is the Seventh Annual Candlelight Vigil Ceremony. It will be held on Thursday October 16 at 7 PM at Hillcrest United Church. The ceremony is a meaningful, intimate gathering hosted by the TSF to honour those who have gone before us and to express support for access to residential hospice palliative care in North Halton. Please join with others from across North Halton to affirm our need for a community hospice.



2025 Fall Yard Clean-up

Assisting families in need due to age, health or circumstance.

When: Saturday Nov 8th, 2025

Time: 8:15am to noon. Great Lunch after at Knox

Where: Georgetown Christian Reformed Church, 11611 Trafalgar Road Bring: Garden rakes, clippers, garden gloves, other small garden tools.

Please join us afterwards from 12:00 – 1:00 at Knox Presbyterian Church 116 Main Street for a time of fellowship, food and drink

If you can't rake, join us and be a "friendly visitor"

Should the date be rained out, homes will be assigned to individual churches to be completed at their convenience.

To volunteer or if you have a home in need please provide your church representative, Minister/Reverend or email to tic@chisintl.com with your name, cell number, email address and number in your group, or look for the Volunteer Form posted in your church.

"My husband and I were the fortunate recipients of your generous help. We will never be able to thank you and your volunteers enough for what you did for us. Please thank them for taking all that time from their busy lives to help us. People like them are a breath of fresh air in our community and a gift to humankind." Homeowner

"The couple were in bad shape physically and really appreciated the work and when we prayed she broke down and cried and that really touched me." Yard Work Volunteer

"This is one of the best, if not the best service provided in our community. Young people today are so busy that it is hard to get them to help, so this is a service that I am very grateful for. The combined efforts of the members of churches in our community, setting aside a day to help seniors is such a loving, generous service. Thank you." Homeowner



"Local Churches Working Together Making a Difference In Our Community"



AN EVENING OF SONG IN SUPPORT OF OUR AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILY

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Friday October 17, 2025



Presented by

Choirs from Georgetown Churches supporting GFORCe3

With Special Guests

THE YOUNG AT HEART SINGERS & BAND (Erin) THE OVER TONES INC. (Guelph) and ABLETT & COOPER

Where: HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH 14400 ARGYLL ROAD, GEORGETOWN

Date: Friday, October 17, 2025

Time: 7:00 p.m. (Doors open at 6:30 pm)

Admission: Adult: \$20.00 Children: \$10.00 Family: \$40.00

Tickets: •at the door •from a GFORCe Rep • Mary Blackmore at

blackmodmcb@gmail.com

50/50 DRAW ON CONCERT NIGHT

Organized by Georgetown Friends of Refugees Committee (GFORCe3)



Keeping Language and Culture Alive

Credit: The United Church of Canada



The Inuinnaqtun language is the cultural foundation of the Inuinnait people, who live in the central Canadian Arctic. The word Inuinnaqtun literally means "to be like an Inuinnaq (a person)." Today, fewer than 600 people can speak Inuinnaqtun fluently, with many having lost the language when they were taken from their communities and sent to residential schools.

Mission and Service partner Pitquhirnikkut Ilihautiniq/Kitikmeot Heritage Society in Cambridge Bay, Nunavut, is dedicated to keeping Inuinnaqtun alive. They offer one-on-one language immersion sessions with mentors to inspire reconnection.

Since the initial gathering of the Inikhaliuqatigiit team in 2021, many significant successes have occurred. Over the past year, the team has worked hard together, both in person and online, to create helpful resources for revitalizing the Inuinnaqtun language. They have spent many hours making sure these resources will make a positive impact.

One big success is the development of the Inuinnaqtun Dictionary app, which is newly available for free on Android and Apple. The team has also created a beginner Inuinnaqtun curriculum called Inuinnaujunga and is working on lessons for more advanced levels. They are also teaming up with linguist Richard Compton from the Université de Quebec à Montreal to create a Community Grammar of Inuinnagtun.

Your compassionate gifts through <u>Mission and Service</u> are supporting programs that help preserve language and culture.

WAYS TO GIVE

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









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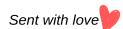


SCAN ME for more details

ETRANSFERS TO standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com



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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