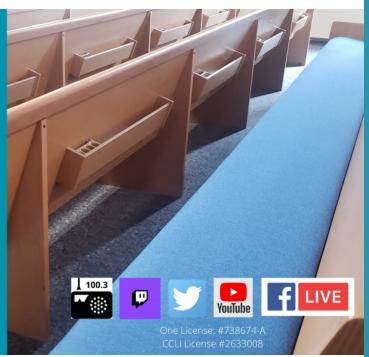
NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday July 25, 2024

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews





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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, July 28th



Hillcrest • St. Andrew's • St. John's

A special welcome to St. John's and Hillcrest United! We are excited to have you join us for the month of July!

We hope you can join us this Sunday for our Combined Summer Services! We look forward to worshipping together as we continue to grow our friendship! Thank you to Rev. Kate Young and Rev. Sue Cowan for leading us in worship! All are welcome!

10th after Pentecost The Story of Cain and Abel

Themes:

There are Always Consequences for our Actions
The Story Raises Questions about War in the Name of Religion
Cain's Life of Exile
Does One Bad Decision in Life Define Us
The Sin of Envy
Does God Not Like Vegetables
The Story of a Family

The Old Testament Reading: Genesis 4:1-26
The Responsive Psalm: Psalm 45 VU 769

Sermon: 'About a Family'



Scripture Summary

You give food to those who fear you; you keep your covenant always in mind. You have shown your power in action, giving your people the heritage of nations. The works of your hands are faithful and just; all your precepts trustworthy. They stand fast forever and ever; grounded in justice and truth.

Humour Corner

After the christening of his baby brother in church, little Johnny sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong.

Finally, the boy replied, "That priest said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, and I want to stay with you guys!"

Membership Announcements

Summer Fellowship Time: Thank you to all who signed up for our summer refreshments in July. This will be our last Sunday worshipping at St. Andrew's as we will be enjoying fellowship at St. John's for August. Please look at the Sept sign up sheet outside the sanctuary doors.

NOTE: Sept 1 we will be back at St. Andrew's and as it is the long weekend juice and cookies only.

Starting **Sept 8** we will resume coffee and tea in the gym.

In Memoriam It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Ross Yahiro's brother Doug on Tuesday, July 16th at the age of 66.

Dear son of the late Terry and Nick Yahiro. Loving father of Tyler (Melissa). Beloved brother of Ross (Margaret) and Diane (Gerry) and uncle to Michelle. Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Yahiro family at this difficult time.

There will be no visitation and no service. In memory contributions to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated.

Colleen

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

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

This will be our last combined service at St.
Andrew's as we move to St. John's for the month of August. Thank you for joining us and to everyone involved with the services!
We look forward to worshipping at St. John's along with Hillcrest's congregation!

Celebration of Life for David Baker

Saturday, August 24th at 3pm St. Andrew's United Church

We hope you will join us in celebration of his life. David was a valued member of our congregation and he will be deeply missed by his St. Andrew's Family. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lucy and their families.





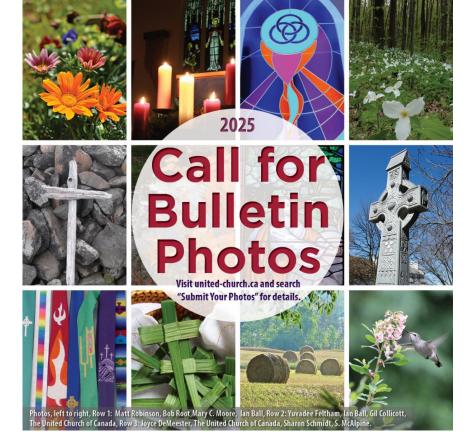
Our Daily Bread Booklets

The July/August/September issue is now available!

Please find them on the table across from the office.

A donation of \$1 would be greatly appreciated.

Community Announcements

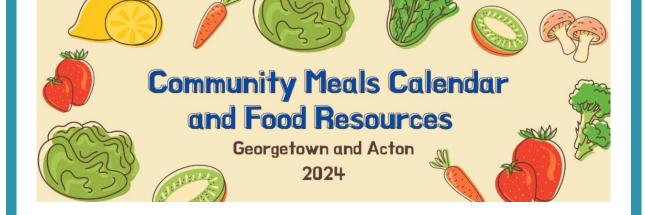


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The UNITED 4 HOSPICE (U4H) team is comprised of volunteers from the four Georgetown United Churches (Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's) who are working as one to assist the Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF) with its goal to build North Halton's 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.



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



Facing an Uncertain Future in Lebanon

Many children in Lebanon are at risk of losing their education.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



Hamdan wants to become a doctor someday. As the oldest son, this young teenager dreams big amidst the daily struggles that he and his family face. Hamdan's family came to Lebanon several years ago to escape the war in Syria. They can barely afford their monthly rent, food, household expenses, clothing, and medical needs. While his father works in a produce shop, his mother stays at home to care for the family's four children and two other family members. This family of eight lives on the father's pay and a small income supplement they receive from the UN.

Like Hamdan, many children in Lebanon are at risk of losing their education because an economic crisis—intensified by the COVID pandemic and the devastating 2020 explosion in Beirut—has plunged their families into poverty. When parents can't pay school tuition, children face an unstable future. The Middle East Council of Churches (MECC) assists Lebanese students and

Syrian refugees ages 8–13 with tuition and fees to secure their education and prevent them from becoming a lost generation.

One thing Hamdan's parents don't have to worry about anymore is his education. With tuition assistance provided by MECC to Hamdan and his siblings, they can continue to study until graduation and gain entrance into a university—giving Hamdan a chance to achieve his dream.

Your support through <u>Mission and Service</u> helps remove barriers for teenagers like Hamdan so they can work toward their dreams. Thank you.

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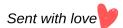
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