

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday November 23, 2023

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

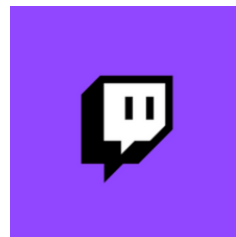


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## St. Andrew's United Church



### Worship This Week - Sunday, November 26th

Thank you to Rev. Ross Leckie for leading us in worship this week!  
We hope you can join us for our service for Reign of Christ Sunday!

**Scripture Reading: Matthew 25: 31-46** Jesus offers a picture of the final judgement. Note that the 'players' do not realize the ramifications of their actions.

**Meditation: "A Different Building Project"**

## We Welcome...



Rev. Kate Young into our congregation and St. Andrew's family! We are pleased to have Rev. Kate Young as St. Andrew's part-time interim Minister for a 6-month appointment. She brings 33 years of ministerial experience and has recently served churches in Weston and in Oakville. Her appointment begins in January and her first Sunday with us will be January 7th.

# Combined Service at Hillcrest United



## Excitement was in the air at our Nov. 19 Combined Service!

The members of Hillcrest United Church had beautifully prepared their sanctuary for Advent as a part of their warm welcome to fellow worshippers from St. Andrew's United and St. John's United Churches for a combined worship service on Sunday Nov. 19. There was joy and energy in the air as 110 participants met old friends and made new ones. Sue Hertell (who has previously ministered to all 3 congregations) led a beautiful service, supported by Sue Cowan reading scripture and the voices of 3 choirs led by Sue Whaley and Mark Peterson. After the service, the combined membership had the opportunity to mix and mingle and enjoy light refreshments downstairs at Hillcrest. Our next combined worship service will be on Sun. Jan. 21 2024, when St. John's United Church will host a service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.



Scripture Summary

Enter, you who are blessed by my Father! Take what's coming to you in this kingdom. It's been ready for you since the world's foundation. And here's why: I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, I was homeless and you gave me a room, I was shivering and you gave me clothes, I was sick and you stopped to visit.

## Humour Corner

I had been teaching my three-year old daughter, Caitlin, the Lord's Prayer for several evenings at bedtime, she would repeat after me the lines from the prayer. Finally, she decided to go solo.

I listened with pride as she carefully enunciated each word right up to the end of the prayer: "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some E-mail. Amen."

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## Membership Announcements

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Sunday Nov 26 is our 65th anniversary. Join us for a celebration of all we have accomplished as a faith community as we look ahead to the future.

Congratulations to Rachel Piper on the birth of her son Hudson James Aug 18. Proud grandparents are Andrew and Margaret Piper.

Congratulations to Eric and Courtney Luloff and big sister Aurora on the birth of baby Aria.

A huge thank you to Joanne Wardle who organized another very successful craft show along with her team. There were so many positive comments from members of the community some attending for the first time. Although we do it as a fundraiser, it also provides an opportunity to showcase our church and the outreach programs which serve our community.

Kudos to everyone who participated in many different ways to make it a most successful event.

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## St. Andrew's Announcements

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**THIS Sunday November 26**

Please join us for an information session  
Immediately following our  
10:00 Sunday service

Come and join us as we hear about

**2024 Stewardship Campaign**  
***A Different "Building" Project***  
&

Update from our Visioning Team

Learn about the results from our survey and the continuation of our journey

There will be a Zoom link available if you would like to join virtually. Please contact the office for the link.

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**PLEASE NOTE, NOT THE 3RD FRIDAY THIS MONTH**

**ST. ANDREW'S**

**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER**

**Friday, November 24th, 2023**  
**Doors Open @ 5:30 PM**

89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown  
Anyone wanting takeout please contact the office.

**Supported by Community Donors and Free Will Offerings**

# Circle of Friends

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

Join us for our next meeting  
Friday, Nov. 24th at 9:30 am in  
the Fellowship room





## The Gifts of Christmas

**Sunday, December 10th, 2023  
10:00 am at St Andrew's United Church  
89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown**

Please join us for a very special service celebrating the music of the season. Choir, soloists, instrumentalists will lead us in the songs and carols! **We will be having a Charity Drive during Children's Time. Please bring hat, scarf and mitten donations for our Mitten Tree! As well as food bank donations for our "Jam the Jeep"**

## Weekly Bible Study

10am every Thursday

November 30th: Book of Titus

December 7th and 14th: Book of Matthew

Invite your friends. Add to your spiritual journey.

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## Community Announcements

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Rental Unit needed for GFORCE3 Afghan Family

GFORCE3 is pleased to announce that its second Afghan Family will be here by early 2024. We are looking for a 3-bedroom rental unit within walking distance of amenities, especially a grocery store. GFORCE3 will be responsible for all costs associated with the unit until the family has lived here for 1-year. Please let others know of this need. Please contact Greg MacDonald (416.219.9113), Don Robinson (905.703.0043), or Susan Tupling (416.200.8675) with any possibilities.





Georgetown Hospital  
Volunteer Association

## **Poinsetta Sale**

**Tuesday December 5th, 2023**  
**Cost is \$12.50 each**

They are available in  
red, white or pink in a 6" pot.  
For Pre-Orders, please speak with Linda  
McKinnon or contact the office

**All proceeds from this event are  
donated to the Georgetown  
Hospital Redevelopment Fund.**



# Trinity United Church's

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Handmade Crafts  
Bake Sale  
Homemade Jams  
Jigsaw Puzzles  
Silent Auction  
Jewelry  
Christmas Decor



Saturday November 25  
9 am to 2 pm  
70 Mill Street East, Acton





# CHRISTMAS FLOWERS TO DECORATE YOUR HOME OR AS A GIFT FOR A FRIEND!



Help Sophia and Charlotte raise  
for their swimming team.  
Order now and get your  
Christmas flowers!  
Please contact  
my mom Cheryl and call  
647 687 6709  
if you would like to order or  
write your details here



**Order Deadline: Nov, 27**  
**Delivery: Dec 15**

Please do not put plant  
near your pets

# Our Products

Winter Wonderland 6" pot. Available in red, pink, or white.



\$12

Holiday Blast 8" pot. Available in red, pink, or white.



\$34

Santa's Table Top 8" Tri Pan.



\$20

Dasher Festive 6" pot. Available in red, pink, or white.



\$38

Nature's Blend Outdoor Greens Planter, 10"



\$85

White Maxima Multi Spike Orchid in Ceramic Pot



\$40

Deck The Halls 20" Wreath w/Bow

\$55

\$50 TERRA Gift Card



\$50





The Rotary Club of Georgetown invites you to be the guest at our:

# Annual Norm Big Seniors Dinner

Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm

(doors open at 5:30pm)

**St George's Anglican Church**

60 Guelph St, Georgetown, ON

**This Rotary sponsored event is held annually to celebrate and show our community's appreciation for the seniors in our town.**

AGE LIMIT: 70 YEARS AND OLDER

DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, ONLY THE FIRST 180 SENIORS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED

\*\*\*\* Wheelchair Bound guests will not have access to washroom facilities \*\*\*\*

**Please Register: by Nov 30th**

**email:** [Charles.veale.rotary@gmail.com](mailto:Charles.veale.rotary@gmail.com) or

**Phone:** 905-877-7585



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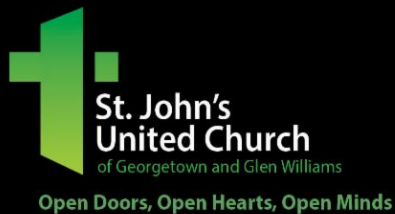
# The Sounds of Christmas

Mark Peterson - Music Director

St. John's United Church Choir  
and guests are delighted to bring you  
The Sounds of Christmas  
Monday, December 11th, 7:30pm

The Sanctuary Concert Hall  
11 Guelph Street, Georgetown

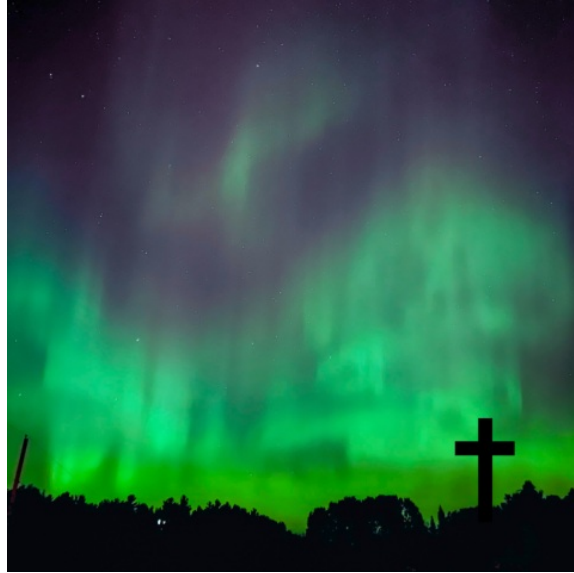
A free will collection will be donated to  
The Townsend Smith Foundation  
Building a hospice for North Halton



United Church Mission & Service Fund

## What Did Jesus Do?

Credit: The United Church of Canada



The question “What would Jesus do?” often shortened to the acronym “WWJD,” has graced wrist bands, T-shirts, and bumper stickers since the 1990s. And while it might sound like an overused cliché, it’s a question that can lead our spirit and, by extension, our lives to profound transformation. What did Jesus do? He crossed a lot of boundaries. In fact, when we think about the boundaries that separate people—things like money, gender, education, culture, religion, and class—Jesus crossed them all, inspiring hope, inclusion, and compassion.

In the same way, our generosity through Mission and Service breaks down walls that divide and builds bridges that draw us together.

Your generosity supports organizations like hospitals, counselling centres, drop-in circles, and homeless shelters that are there when people need them most. Your gifts sustain education programs that teach farming skills, provide job training, and help remove obstacles so children can remain in school. Your generosity stands up for victims of human trafficking, ensures workers and children know their rights, and advocates for those persecuted because of their sexual orientation, gender, or beliefs. It fosters anti-racism, supports healing and reconciliation, and deepens spiritual practice.

Through Mission and Service, the arms of your generosity stretch wide, reaching into schools, camps, hospitals, shelters, prisons, and churches.

Mission and Service is one of our church’s best answers to the question “What would Jesus do?”

Thank you for your support.

# WAYS TO GIVE



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

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.



We would love to share our News from the Pews! Please feel free to share with a friend...

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