

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, April 2, 2026

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

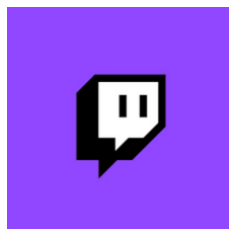


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**St. Andrew's United Church**

# St. Andrew's Holy Week Services

We hope you can join us for our Easter services. All are welcome!

## Maundy Thursday Combined Service

Hillcrest • St. John's • St. Andrew's

7:00pm, April 2nd - In-person only

St. Andrew's United Church

89 Mountainview Rd. S.



## Good Friday Combined Service

St. John's • St. Andrew's

10:00am, April 3rd

St. John's United Church

11 Guelph St.



## Sunrise Service

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

8:00am, April 5th

Norval United Church

14015 Danby Rd - Light breakfast to follow



## Easter Sunday Service

St. Andrew's

10:00am, April 5th

St. Andrew's United Church

89 Mountainview Rd. S.



**Thank you to our volunteers this week!**

**Good Friday Greeter:** Margaret Yahiro

**Easter Greeter:** Lorne MacLeod

**Communion servers for Easter:**

Lois and Joe Oatman, Nancy and Brian Heinmiller, Marg and Earl Pepper

**Scripture Reader:** Alan Grundy

**Coffee Time:** Colleen Armstrong

**Offering Counters:** Linda McKinnon and Ross Yahiro

[Please click here to view the Maundy Thursday Order of Service](#)

[Please click here to view the Easter Sunday Order of Service](#)



## Humour Corner

A Sunday School teacher was attempting to teach her young students the true meaning of Easter. "Why do we celebrate Easter?" she asked. When the children replied because of the Easter bunny, Easter eggs, candy, Spring, she said, "No, those are Easter traditions and symbols, but what is the REASON why we celebrate Easter? What happened at the very first Easter?" A little girl raised her hand and said, "Easter celebrates Jesus coming out of the tomb." "Yes!" said the teacher, excited and relieved that finally the correct answer had surfaced. Encouraged, she prompted, "Jesus arose from the tomb, and what does He do for us?" The youngster replied, "He looks to see if he can see his shadow, and if He can, he goes back in for another six weeks."

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## Membership Announcements

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### Thank you

Thank you for all the kind words and cards of condolences we have received from our St. Andrew's family. We are truly appreciative.  
Linda King and family

### This Sunday

Easter Sunday we will be celebrating at St. Andrew's.

There will be a baptism, communion, performances by our wonderful bell choir our talented youth choir and the senior choir.

There will be cake during fellowship to celebrate the baptism of Chloe Oakes. As no one has signed up to do coffee **I am requesting some volunteer help.** I can set up the coffee but need some assistance with setting out refreshments and serving coffee as I will be involved at the end of the service.

Thank you.

Colleen

### Volunteers Needed at St. Andrew's - 6pm on Sunday, April 19th

As the season wraps up shortly, a big thank you to Joanne Wardle, Jan, Bill and Craig Pennycook, Margaret Yahiro, and Ross and Jean Leckie for volunteering at the Out of The Cold Program all winter!

We're looking for a few volunteers to help with serving and cleanup at the Out of the Cold Appreciation Dinner at St. Andrew's on April 19th at 6:00pm, so our volunteers can relax and enjoy their meal. If you're able to help, please contact the office. Thank you!

### Pastoral Care

Rev. Ross Leckie and Kate are providing pastoral care support under the collaborative agreement in place until June 30, 2026. If you would like a visit or know someone who is in need, please don't hesitate to reach out to either Ross or Kate.

# A Poem for Lent

Written  
by Greg Howard



## He is Risen

That Friday was for Jesus the day that he would die  
The soldiers nailed him on a cross and hoisted him up high  
Between two convicts they condemned, for them a special day  
Jesus said "We'll all be home when we three pass away."

The soldiers laughed, they pierced his side, they gambled for his gown  
Upon his head a crown of thorns, they wouldn't take him down  
On the cross above his head they had a sign that read  
"King of the Jews", they laughed and said "Your king will soon be dead"

They were Roman soldiers and Jesus was a Jew  
Jesus said "Forgive them for they know not what they do."  
And when he died they laid him in the tomb of a rich man  
And sealed the door with a big stone, now take him if you can

Mary took some spices, it was early on Sunday  
To rub upon his body but the stone was rolled away  
The soldier guard was terrified his hands were on his head  
"An angel rolled away the stone and Jesus is not dead."

The cloths that wrapped his body were lying where he laid  
"He is risen he's not here so please don't be afraid  
Go tell your friends that he's alive they will so happy be  
Jesus said he'll meet them all up in Galilee"

Two disciples on the road met one they didn't know  
When he called them both by name it surely was a blow  
'Twas then they recognized him, 'twas Jesus all the while  
They were so glad to see him, it certainly made them smile

When they were up in Galilee, dining where they stayed  
Jesus joined them in the room, that made them all afraid  
Because the door was tightly locked and he was there for real  
He told them go into the world to teach them and to heal

He said I will be with you, from now to evermore  
I am the one whose hand can heal, as I did before  
He's in our lives if we but ask, he's walking by our side  
He is our brother and our friend and Jesus is our guide

*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.*



**Easter Basket Brigade**  
**Saturday March 28, 2026**

Thank you to everyone who donated to our annual Community Unity fundraiser! The Easter Basket Brigade raised \$33,000 and supported over 200 families. We are grateful for the generosity of our St. Andrew's family and community.

A graphic with a white background and decorative purple and orange wavy borders. At the top center is an icon of an open book. Below it, the text "Weekly Bible Study" is written in a large, bold, black font. Underneath, "Every Thursday at 10:00am in the Fellowship Room" is written in a bold, black font. At the bottom, "9 New Studies: Growing Older & Wiser All are welcome!" is written in a black font.

  
**Weekly Bible Study**  
**Every Thursday at 10:00am**  
**in the Fellowship Room**  
  
9 New Studies:  
Growing Older & Wiser  
All are welcome!

**Friday, April 17th**  
**Doors Open at 5:30 PM**

**ST. ANDREW'S**  
**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER**

89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown  
If you would like to place an order for  
takeout, please contact the office.

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



The third annual Georgetown Hike for Hospice will be held on Saturday, May 2. There will be two walking routes (5 km and 2.5 km). Both routes will start and end at Norval United Church in Georgetown South. The UNITED 4 HOSPICE (U4H) team is made up of volunteers from the four Georgetown Area United Churches who are working together to assist the Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF) with its goal to build North Halton's first hospice residence. Please click on the link to the home page for the Hike for Hospice.  
<https://townsendsmith.akaraisin.com/ui/Hike2026>

It would be wonderful to get a group of people from our congregations to walk together. Click on the "Register Now" button, select the Georgetown hike and then select Join a Team. Search for our team (United 4 Hospice) and follow the prompts to register and join our team.

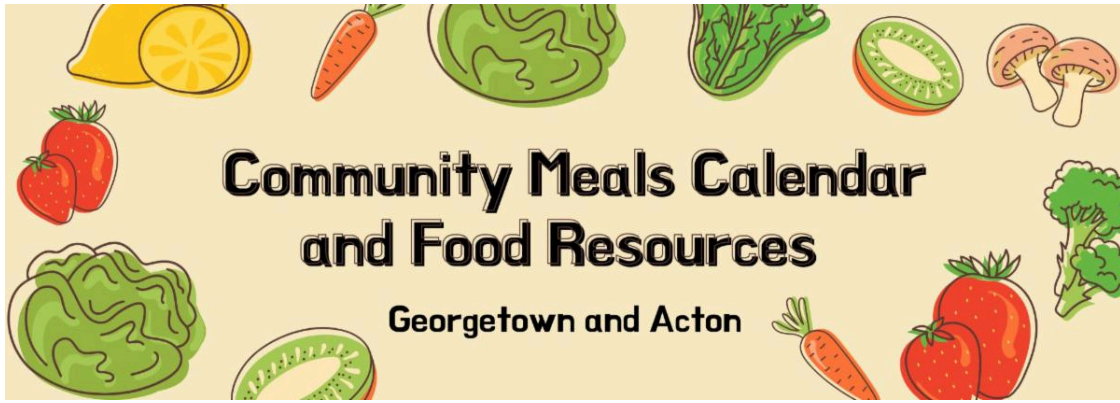
If you'd like to donate to our team (or a team member), click on the "Donate Now" button. Search for an individual by name, or the team (United 4 Hospice) and follow the prompts to donate.

More information about the TSF and its work to build a hospice for North Halton can be found at the following link: <https://www.townsend-smith.ca/> Any questions/want more information? Contact Sue Sibley (suesibley24@gmail.com OR 905 703 6422)

[Please click here to register or donate](#)

# Community Announcements

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



Presents

*"I've seen many play Sinatra on stage,  
Adam's the best!" - Quincy Jones*

# An Evening With **ADAM JAMES** and Friends

Featuring Juno Award winner pianist **ROBI BOTOS**  
and **BEN DWYER** on bass

**Saturday, April 11th, 7:30pm, doors open at 6:45pm**

The Sanctuary Concert Hall at St. John's United Church  
11 Guelph Street, Georgetown, ON L7G 3Z1

**Tickets available at: [TSCH.ca](http://TSCH.ca)**

This event is a co-fundraiser for St. John's  
and for the Townsend/Smith Foundation



Norval United Church invites you to an

# Evening in Paris

Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 2026

Cocktails @ 6.00pm

Dinner @ 6.45pm

Cash bar: Beer, Wine, Cider

Tickets \$ 65/person

For Reservations

call 905 877 6122

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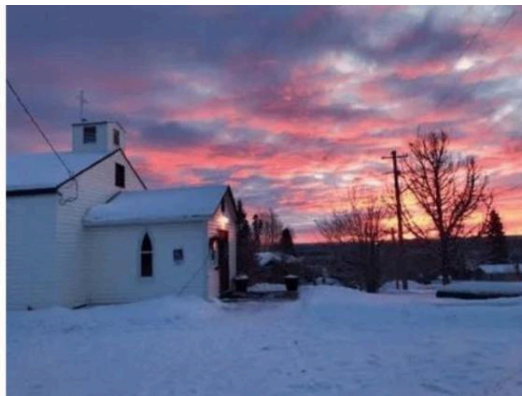
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United Church Mission & Service Fund

## Steady Presence on the Northern Landscape

*Credit: The United Church of Canada*



In Fort Nelson, BC, where the landscape is vast and the seasons are bold, Hillcrest United Church has been a vibrant presence for more than 60 years. Rural ministry carries its own rhythm—shaped by distance, resilience, and close-knit relationships. At Hillcrest, that spirit is tangible. Worship blends cherished hymns with newer songs. Faith is lived not only in the sanctuary, but in everyday acts of care and connection.

As a rural church, Hillcrest plays an essential role in community life—offering pastoral presence, encouragement, and a welcoming space where everyone

belongs. Accessible and intentionally inclusive, it reflects the strength and generosity that define rural communities across Canada. Hillcrest offers points of connection beyond Sunday services, inviting the community to Christmas and Spring teas, garage sales, and events peppered throughout the year. Through Mission and Service, Hillcrest is part of a wider movement of hope. From northern British Columbia, their generosity supports ministries across the country and around the world—and they, too, are strengthened by this shared experience. Hillcrest reminds us that rural congregations are vital expressions of faith—grounded, resilient, and forward-looking. When we give to Mission and Service, we are standing with rural communities like Hillcrest—sustaining ministry, nurturing connection, and helping vibrant congregations continue to flourish in every part of Canada.

## WAYS TO GIVE

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



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Our Charitable Registration Number is: 892633462RR0001

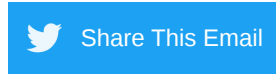
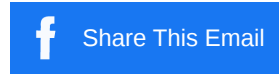
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Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding

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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