

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, May 8, 2025

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

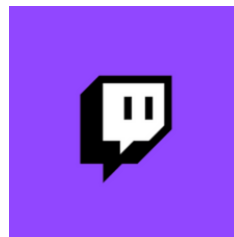


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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship this Week - Sunday, May 11th

4th Sunday after Easter

Mother's Day and The Sacrament of Baptism

The Psalm Reading: Psalm 23 VU 749

The Gospel: John 10:22-30

The Sermon: 'God's Congregation'

Thank you to our volunteers this Sunday!

Scripture Reader: Mark Heinmiller

Coffee Time: Bible Study

Offering Counters: Susan Quirk and Ross Yahiro

Front Door Greeter: Florence Riehl



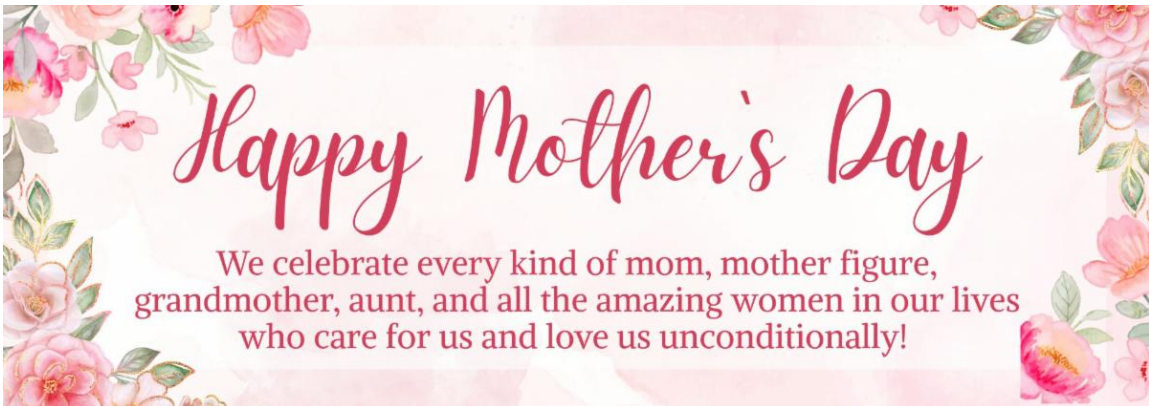
Scripture Summary

My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish.

Humour Corner

Why did the mother broom ask the baby broom to go to church?
Because she said, "It's time to sweep your soul clean!"

Membership Announcements



Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers for coffee time, scripture readers, and greeters! Please consider signing up on the sign up sheet outside of the sanctuary or contact the office. Thank you to all of our volunteers!

Hike for Hospice: United 4 Hospice



The Hike's Not Over! - Donations open to May 17

The **UNITED4HOSPICE** (U4H) team is feeling pretty invigorated after the **May 3rd Hike for Hospice!**

Congratulations to Joanne for completing the full route while her foot is still healing, and to Heimen for jogging the full route twice! A big thank you to the team from St. Andrew's—Ross and Jean, Joanne, Heimen, Ove, and Ross and

Margaret—for taking part and representing us so well!

Our planning efforts attracted 100 walkers for the Georgetown Hike and they in turn raised over \$29,000 to-date for the Townsend Smith Foundation.

Your U4H team of Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's, St. John's and community walkers so far has raised \$17,895 of Georgetown's total. Cash offering at Sunday's combined service totalling \$120 was donated to the team. Our hike is not over and you can still support your team's efforts by making **donations online until May 17** using this link <https://www.canadahelps.org/s/6WqJK3>

U4H is mobilizing Georgetown and Georgetown is stepping up to support the hospice dream. Your support of your U4H team will help the Townsend Smith Foundation build North Halton's first hospice residence.

Please click here to sponsor our United4Hospice walkers! It's not too late!

Combined Service at Hillcrest



May 4 Combined Service focused on Hospice

As a follow-up to our successful Hike for Hospice, over 100 members from Hillcrest, St. Andrew's and St. John's gathered for a combined service at Hillcrest on Sunday May 4. The service was led by Ken MacDonald, with support from Kate Young, Sue Cowan and a 25 person choir. The messages presented by Jean Howden and Ken spoke to the caring end of life journey available through a hospice and the difference it can make to an individual and their family. Architectural renderings of the proposed Townsend Smith hospice on the Hillcrest site were available for viewing. After the service members stayed to enjoy refreshments and strengthen our friendship.



This May, continue to raise your voices and speak out against colonization, racism, and the injustice of Murdered and Missing Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S).

Monday, May 5 was Red Dress Day, the National Day of Awareness for MMIWG2S.

Thursday, May 15 is Moosehide Campaign Day—a time to take action.

What can you do?

- Take time in worship to pray for action to end this epidemic of violence
- Hang a red dress outside your church and home as an act of public witness
- Participate in Red Dress activities in your community
- Wear a moosehide pin, and participate in this year's activities, which include a livestream, walks to end violence, and a fast
- Support the Healing Fund

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

Circle of Friends

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

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





Saturday, May 10th

ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH

MEN'S
Breakfast

CLUB

at 9 AM at the legion.

All are invited to join us!

*Join us to celebrate The United Church of Canada's
100th Anniversary!*

**Joint Worship Service
of the Georgetown United Churches
Sunday, June 8, 2025 - 10:00 a.m.**

**In-person and Livestreamed
hosted by Norval United Church
14015 Danby Rd., Georgetown**

Guest Speaker: Dr. Betty Pries

**Special music from the joint
choir led by Mark Peterson and
Matt Morrison**

Refreshments and fellowship



Weekly Bible Study

Every Thursday at 10:00am in the Fellowship room

The Letter of Paul to the Romans
Lesson Sixteen, Romans 13

Why it is appropriate for Christians to submit to those in positions of authority. Pray for those in authority over us.

Ask God to give us the grace and strength to submit to them in the proper way.





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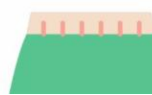
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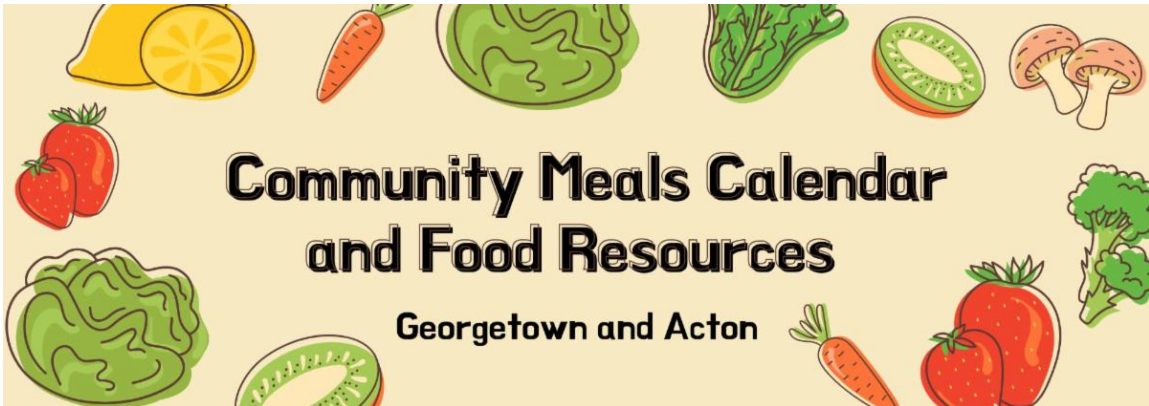
9:00am-12:00pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays

All are welcome!

Thank you for all of your donations!



Community Announcements



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

SATURDAY MAY 10, 2025

8:00AM TO 10:30AM



GRAB AND GO OR SIT AND EAT



Coffee Tea Orange Juice
Breakfast Sandwich
Breakfast Pastry

Good Will Donation
A Fundraiser for GFORCe3
Supporting Our Refugee Family

Norval United Church, 14015 Danby Road, Georgetown

GRACE UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS

MAPLE LEAF

Spring Fling

SATURDAY, MAY 10

FOOD, MUSIC & GAMES

Canadian-themed four-course dinner and musical game night.

DOOR PRIZES POP-A-BALLOON TREASURE TABLE

DOORS OPEN AT 5 P.M. DINNER AT 6 P.M.

TICKETS \$50

156 Main St., N.

Proceeds support Grace's Community Hub in Downtown Brampton.



For tickets or more information, contact the church office at 905-451-1215.



The Elaine Jones Team Presents:
Clothing for a Cause - Women's Clothing Sale



All proceeds go to the Townsend Smith Foundation

Saturday, May 31st, 9AM - 1PM
St. Andrew's United Church



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Participate in the Moose Hide Campaign
to Combat Violence and Call for Justice

Take a stand against violence toward Indigenous women, girls,
and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people

Credit: The United Church of Canada



Canada is in the midst of an ongoing national crisis of violence against Indigenous women, girls, and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people. Canada has a long legacy of devaluing Indigenous peoples—in particular Indigenous women, girls, and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people. As a result, many people believe that they do not

matter, and that it is acceptable to commit acts of violence upon them. All levels of government in Canada fail to respond when an Indigenous woman, girl, or 2S-LGBTQIA+ person goes missing or is murdered. Police services have no standardized response time to MMIWG2S (Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit), and there is poor communication with families.

Sadness, trauma, and fear exist in Indigenous communities. Mothers, daughters, sisters, aunts, wives, friends, and relatives have gone missing and been murdered. Families and friends have no answers and no justice.

The final report of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls concludes that this is a genocide. Yet the media, government, and others continue to view MMIWG2S simply as a “social justice issue” rather than a violation of human rights. The report also states that “we all have a role to play to combat violence against Indigenous women, girls, and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people.”

Will we work together as Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to value the lives of Indigenous women, girls, and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people? In response to the recent search for four Indigenous women known to have been murdered in Winnipeg, the United Church shared its belief that “everyone, created in the image of God, has a right to be treated with respect and protected from harm.” We now ask members, friends, and communities of faith to share that belief, to combat violence, and to call for justice by participating in the Moose Hide Campaign

Take Action

How can you participate? As individuals and communities of faith, you can:

- Wear and share the Moose Hide Pin
- . The pins are offered free of charge by the Moose Hide campaign and are available in the traditional moose hide or in a non-leather version.
- Take action. Visit the Moose Hide Campaign’s website
- for information on how to participate.
- Share news about the campaign and this prayer in your church.
- Post pictures of you and your Moose Hide pin on social media. Please use the hashtags #MooseHideCampaign, #MooseHideCampaignDay, #UCCan, and #MMIWG2S.
- Remember that the message of the Moose Hide Campaign goes beyond May 15. Look for other opportunities throughout the year to let Indigenous peoples and all levels of government know that Indigenous women, girls, and 2S people are valued and that we demand a drastic shift in how these cases are handled.

The Moose Hide Campaign was launched by Raven Lacerte (Lake Babine First Nation) and her father Paul Lacerte (Carrier First Nations), whose annual hunting trips took place along BC’s Highway 16 between Prince George and Prince Rupert. This highway is known as the “Highway of Tears” for the large number of Indigenous women and girls who have gone missing or been murdered there.

The Lacertes decided to bring attention to this issue. In 2011 they tanned and cut up a moose hide to make pins for Indigenous men and boys to wear as a sign of their commitment to ending violence against women and girls. The campaign has since broadened, and now all people are asked to wear these pins as a sign of their commitment. May 15 is Moose Hide Campaign Day, a day when all Canadians are invited to take a stand against violence toward Indigenous women, girls, and 2S-LGBTQIA+ people.

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.



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