

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, March 19, 2026

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

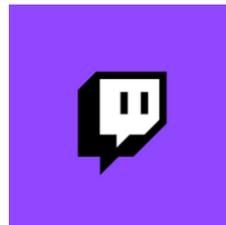


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on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitch & 100.3 FM  
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## St. Andrew's United Church

**Worship this Week:  
Sunday, March 22nd  
10AM at St. John's**

Join us this Sunday at St. John's for our Combined Worship Series! Both congregations will worship together in a joint service led by Rev. Kate Young. The service can also be watched live from St. Andrew's Facebook or YouTube page using the links above.

For the month of March, all Combined Worship Services will be held at St. John's. We look forward to worshipping together and strengthening our shared community of faith.

**We will have boxes with our nametags on a table outside of the sanctuary as well as blanks ones. We encourage everyone to please wear your nametags!**

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

Greeters: Lorne and Susan Campbell

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## Supporting Our Faith Community

The work of our faith community is through each of us and the contributions we give.

Giving is an expression of our gratitude and love for God that flows out of a relationship with Him and with our community of faith. As we move through our Collaborative Ministry remember St. Andrew's continues to be open and working with other Ministries to serve the community. As you encounter times when you are not able to attend in person, please consider other means and times to give to the Church. Consider supporting through monthly Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR) or other options provided below in "Ways to Give".

We thank all those who continue to support our Church.

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### Humour Corner

Why do you never iron a four-leaf clover?  
*Because you don't want to press your luck!*

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## Membership Announcements

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### Thank you

Alex MacKenzie would like to thank Rev. Kate and all the congregation for his birthday wishes!

### 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



This poem has been inspired by the story of  
Moses and the burning bush,  
specifically Exodus 3: 14

## **A Meeting with “I AM!”**

I climb on the mountain of life every day  
I’m not what I’d like to be,  
I am weak and I’m limited, guilty, have failed ...  
Can’t make it, if it’s all up to me.

Confront me Spirit as I climb on this hill,  
Barefoot in the presence I stand.  
It’s a miracle I have been born to be free,  
Help me Spirit define what “I AM!”

A voice from the bush or was it the wind  
“It’s blessed my child where you stand”.  
“Who’s there?” I inquired of the voice that I heard  
The answer came back “I AM!”

I’m creator, I’m limiter, sustainer and friend,  
I’m the one who is called “I AM!”  
If you speak my name child you’ll be able to see  
You’re standing erect ... you’re a man (woman).

You are childish, you’re foolish, you are weak, you are proud,  
You’re forgiven, you’re blessed, you are free.  
Your burden is lifted, your eyes are made clear,  
It is you who decides what will be.

For you are the one who is in this big world  
You’re my voice, you’re my feet and my hands  
You’re the one that I love, the one I made free  
You’re the one who can say “I AM!”

I rejoice at the thought of a slate that is clean,  
Of burden at last I am free.  
What have I to give that is worthy and pure?  
Here Spirit, my life ... take me.

Each day in my life there are choices to make,  
I can choose to help out where I can.  
I will demonstrate love in the things that I do,  
I’m so proud to serve You “I AM!”

Each day as I wake I give thanks that I’ve met  
The Spirit who’s called “I AM!”

I'm mature and I'm wise, I am humble and strong,  
 With Spirit within me I can

*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

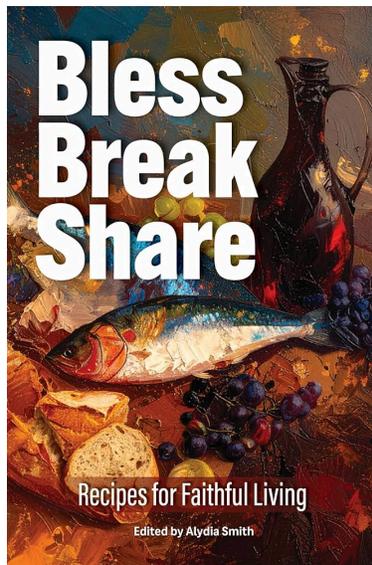
### COLLABORATIVE MINISTRY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

<u>WHEN</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHERE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>WHO</u>
01-Mar	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
08-Mar	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
15-Mar	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
22-Mar	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
29-Mar	10AM	PALM SUNDAY	ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
02-Apr	7PM	MAUNDY THURSDAY	St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
03-Apr	10AM	GOOD FRIDAY	ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
05-Apr	10AM	EASTER SUNDAY	St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
05-Apr	10AM	EASTER SUNDAY	ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	ROSS LECKIE
12-Apr	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
19-Apr	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
26-Apr	10:30AM	HOSPICE SUNDAY	HILLCREST	8958 TRAFALGAR ROAD	KATE YOUNG
03-May	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	MARY PARSONS
10-May	10AM	MOTHER'S DAY	ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
17-May	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
24-May	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	KATE YOUNG
31-May	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	MARY PARSONS
31-May	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	WALTER REID
07-Jun	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	MARY PARSONS
14-Jun	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
21-Jun	10AM	FATHER'S DAY	St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	KATE YOUNG
28-Jun	10AM		St. ANDREW'S	89 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. S.	MARY PARSONS
28-Jun	10AM		ST. JOHN'S	11 GUELPH ST.	WALTER REID



**ST. ANDREW'S**  
**FREE COMMUNITY DINNER**  
**Friday, March 20th, Doors Open at 5:30 PM**  
**Featuring Live Entertainment**  
89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown  
If you would like takeout,  
please contact the office by Thursday  
**Supported by Community Donors and Free Will Offerings**

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### **Lenten Study**

#### **St. John's and St. Andrew's United Churches**

Using the United Church Lenten Study Book for 2026, Bless, Break, Share: Recipes for Faithful Living, please join Kate for a time together each week during March. Most of the sessions will be on Zoom on Wednesday evenings, 7:00 pm-8:00 pm, with two in-person meetings. One in-person gathering was held at St. John's on Wednesday, March 4 and one in-person meeting will be held at St. Andrew's on Wednesday, April 1.

# Weekly Bible Study

*Thursdays at 10:00am  
in the Fellowship room*



## **9 New Studies: Growing Older & Wiser**

1. To desire godly wisdom.
2. To search for wisdom in the right place – with God.
3. To discern and welcome wisdom of younger believers.
4. To develop the courage to speak up with godly wisdom.
5. To exercise trust in God in our dealings with family.
6. To trust God's purposes even when other people are wrong.
7. To be assured that God has his purposes for us until our end.
8. To put confidence in God for all stages of life.
9. To enjoy the hope of trusting in the Lord in our last years.

*Please speak to Heimen or Jackie for more details.  
All are welcome!*

This Thursday, we will discuss Lesson 4 called "The Good News" based on Acts 10:23-48.

Next Thursday (March 26), we will discuss Lesson 5 called "Creative Communication" based on Luke 10:25-37. I will make copies of it for distribution this Thursday.

The new series will commence April 2, 2026. As always, everyone is invited to attend!



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



We together as a Christian Community can and will make a difference in Halton Hills...and this is happening with your action and answering **"His Calling"** loudly. Jesus has chosen you as **"His Voice"** and calls each and every one of us to walk in his ways, and together we are taking a beautiful step in our journey in his name.

**Collection of Cards/Donations: From Churches Latest Tuesday March 24, 2026**

**God's Ask...**

In conjunction with the Georgetown BreadBasket, Community Unity has identified approx 225 Families in need of Groceries in the Halton Hills area and will be convening **Saturday March 28th 9:30 AM at Georgetown Christian Reformed Church**. We are Praying for and "Asking" Families in all of our congregations to share Easter with another family by ideally purchasing **(2) \$50.00 Grocery Gift Cards** and also writing an **Easter Card** to the family and share God's love between us... Any size of donation is greatly appreciated and please forward all Cards, Donations and Easter Cards to your Church Representative.

Or

**Donations to Community Unity**

Individual Donations will also be gratefully accepted and donations may also be made at <http://www.communityunityhaltonhills.com/> and clicking on "Donate" - Canada Helps - a tax receipt will be instantly generated. It would be ideal to receive the donations prior to March 22nd as it takes a week for the funds to be released to Community Unity.



[Please click here for more information or to make a donation](#)

**Easter Basket Brigade - Last Week for Donations!**

The Community Unity annual Easter Basket Brigade is now underway. Community Unity churches are collecting donations that will be distributed to approximately 250 families in Halton Hills facing food insecurity. Each recipient family is given an Easter greeting card containing gift cards from a grocery store.

**This is the last Sunday we will be collecting donations. The deadline for donations is March 24** to allow Community Unity time to purchase the food and gift cards. Please return the envelope and the completed slip with your donation on Sunday or, better yet, donate online

at: [standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com) (write "Easter Brigade" in the comment section).

If you are interested in helping to distribute the food and gift cards on Saturday March 28 from 9:30 am until noon, please inform Sue Sibley at [suesibley24@gmail.com](mailto:suesibley24@gmail.com) or 905-703-6422



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.

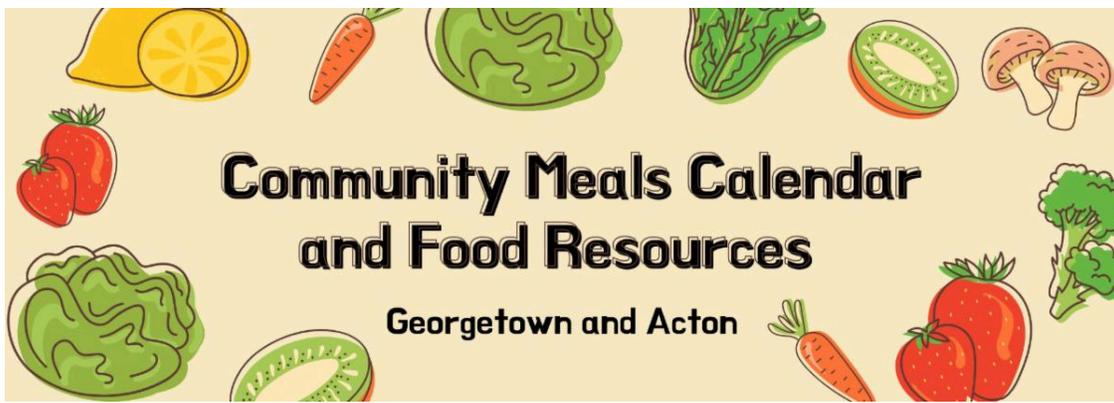
More information about the TSF and its work to build a hospice for North Halton can be found at the following link: <https://www.townsend-smith.ca/> Any questions/want more information? Contact Sue Sibley ([suesibley24@gmail.com](mailto:suesibley24@gmail.com) OR 905 703 6422)

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

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## Community Announcements

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# Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton

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



## Thursday, March 19

**John Elliott Theatre** - 9 Church St., Georgetown, ON

**Ticket pick up & table displays:** 6:30 p.m.

**PowerPoint Presentation & Film:** 7:00 p.m.

Tickets at the John Elliott Theatre Box Office  
or online at: [www.haltonhills.ca/theatre](http://www.haltonhills.ca/theatre)

**Adults: \$10 | Students: \$5**



## The Whale & the Raven

The Whale and the Raven illuminates the many issues that have drawn whale researchers, the Gitga'at First Nation, and the Government of British Columbia into a complex conflict. As the people in the Great Bear Rainforest struggle to protect their territory against the pressure and promise of the gas industry, caught in between are the countless beings that call this place home.

On a remote island in the Pacific populated by wolves, ravens, and two whale researchers, is a town with the promise of a second industrial boom torn between the wish to protect its territory and the pressure to cope with investors. Director Mirjam Leuze, Cast Roy Vickers



## World Water Day 2026

March 22

World Water Day celebrates water and raises awareness of the 2.1 billion people living without access to safe water. It is about taking action to tackle the global water crisis. A core focus of World Water Day is to support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 6: water and sanitation for all by 2030.

# EV'S KITCHEN

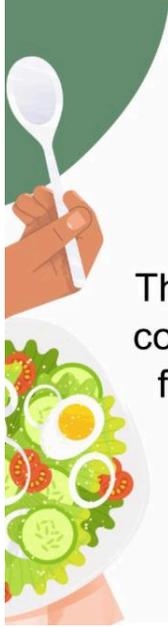
11am to 1pm at St. John's United

*Good food and Good Friends*

The last Friday of the month, St. John's offers the community a free home-cooked lunch followed by fellowship. Small donations to help cover costs are gratefully received.

**Next Date:**

Friday, February 27



*Cinderellas & Fellas*

Friday March 27  
4:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Bethel Church  
365 Queen Street, Acton

We provide free, lightly used graduation and prom formal wear and accessories for women and men.

For more information contact:  
[communitylife@actoncrc.com](mailto:communitylife@actoncrc.com) or  
(519) 853-2121.

The poster features a black background with a repeating floral pattern. On the left, a purple dress with a white floral pattern and a white tuxedo with a purple bow tie are hanging on hangers. The text is in a mix of gold and purple fonts.

Cinderellas & Fellas at Acton Bethel Church is looking for donations of accessories for our event on Fri Mar 27. We are looking for:

- Ladies' - jewelry (earrings, bracelets, necklaces), purses, wraps, shoes
- Men's - ties, bow ties, vests, belts, shoes

Can you help us? We can pick them up from you if you can't drop them off at one of our drop off locations (Acton Smooth Solutions Spa & Laser Clinic, Georgetown Indaba Hair Studio, Acton Bethel Church delivery deck box). Thank you for helping us shine light and show love to the youth and young adults in our community.



*Come and Join Us*

Worship Nights  
at Georgetown  
Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, March 29, 2026  
5:00pm

Last Sunday of every month. Join us at 11611 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown. *Georgetown*

**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

contact Bruce Cunnington

or

@ [brucecunnington@live.ca](mailto:brucecunnington@live.ca)



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**LOVE**

— An Easter Cantata —

**By Lloyd Larson**

Orchestrated by Ed Hogan

Join us for an evening of beautiful music  
as we celebrate the season of Easter.

**Sunday March 29th**

**7:00 PM**

**Emmanuel United Church**

420 Balmoral Drive

A free-will offering will be received  
in support of Regeneration.



United Church Mission & Service Fund

**A Steady Flow of Care**

*Credit: The United Church of Canada*



For most of us, a shower is routine.

For someone without stable housing, it can be transformative.

In St. Catharines, Ontario, Silver Spire United Church offers more than access to water. Their shower program offers dignity, relief, and a fresh start to the day—sometimes all in the same hour.

While guests take a private shower, their laundry is washed and dried in the next room. Clean clothes are ready when they step out. Toiletries like soap, shampoo, deodorant are generously donated by the community and is available to all guests. Devices can be charged in the room, and guests are welcome to keep their belongings in the room with them to keep them secure. It may sound simple, but being able to wash your body and your clothing at the same time changes a day. In the extreme heat of summertime, a cool shower can prevent illness and save lives. In the winter, warm water restores circulation and comfort. Beyond physical relief, something deeper happens: people are reminded they matter.

But programs like this require steady support. Costs for utilities, supplies, coordination, volunteers, and care can mount quickly.

Through Mission and Service, we're helping Silver Spire United Church keep the water running and the program staffed. We're helping ensure that dignity is not an afterthought, but a priority.

A shower should not be a luxury, and clean clothes should not be out of reach.

When we give, dignity flows.

# WAYS TO GIVE

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



**CASH & CHEQUE**



**CANADA HELPS**



SCAN ME for more details



**ETRANSFERS TO  
standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com**



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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