

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, April 23, 2026

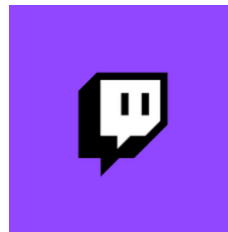
St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews



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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship this Sunday 10:30 AM on April 26th at Hillcrest UC

Combined Worship Service

The people of St. Andrew's and St. John's will be hosted by our friends at Hillcrest United for a combined worship service on Sun. April 26 @ 10:30AM (note start time). It is another opportunity to get together and deepen our friendships.

We will celebrate Hillcrest's Anniversary, and get behind our UNITED 4 HOSPICE walkers participating in the North Halton Hospice's Sat. May 2 Hike for Hospice. John Gilbert, Development Director with Townsend Smith will be with us. Our worship leaders will be Ken MacDonald and Kate Young, and refreshments will follow the service.

*Please note that we're unable to live stream this service. Thank you for your understanding, and we hope to see you in person!

Town Hall Meeting

On Wednesday, May 6, at 7:00 pm, the Board will host a Town Hall Meeting in the Sanctuary.

The meeting will be a time to discuss and direct the board on ministerial leadership options going forward, past June 30th, 2026, when the collaborative agreement with two congregations and Kate ends.

Here are the options:

- a) Continue with a collaborative agreement
- b) Become a two-point charge
- c) Return to solo part-time or full-time ministry

Each option creates challenges and celebrations. It should be noted that envelope givings are \$8,000.00 less than budgeted for 2026.

The Board hopes to see you on May 6th. A Zoom option will be made available.





Thank you to Valerie Jordan for the creation of the lollipop plant! From Kate's Children's Time on Sunday.

Humour Corner

Why did the lollipop join the church choir?
Because it wanted to sing sweet notes.

Membership Announcements

HAPPY NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK



This week is National Volunteer Week, and we want to take a moment to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our incredible volunteers! Your time and dedication keep our church running and our community strong.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the joint service at Hillcrest UC this Sunday. The service is at 10:30 am. There will be a joint choir as we celebrate together with Hillcrest and St. John's. Keeping members of our congregation in our prayers as they deal with health issues and bereavement.

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.

Out of the Cold Volunteer Dinner

Thank you to our volunteers who helped out at the Appreciation Dinner and thank you to the volunteers who volunteered for the Out of the Cold program!



In Memoriam - Irene Broderick

We send our condolences to Phyllis Antle with the passing of her sister on April 14th in Appleton, Newfoundland. Our thoughts and prayers are with Phyllis and her friends and family.



[Please click here to view the obituary, make a donation, or share condolences in the guestbook](#)

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> |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------|--------------|
| 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 |
| 3-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 | VICTORIA DAY WEEKEND | 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 |
| 7-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 |



Weekly Bible Study

*Every Thursday at 10:00am
in the Fellowship Room*

9 New Studies:
Growing Older & Wiser
All are welcome!

Circle of Friends

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

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





The United Churches of Georgetown
Hillcrest • Norval • St. Andrew's • St. John's

HIKE FOR HOSPICE 2026

Saturday, May 2nd

Norval United Church, 14015 Danby Rd.

The United Churches will be walking together as one in support of the Townsend Smith Foundation to raise funds to build North Halton's first hospice. Visit the link below to register or sponsor one of our walkers!

Thank you for your support!



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 the North Halton Hospice, the first hospice residence in our area.

Please click on the following link to the home page for our United for Hospice team.

- Donate to the team or scroll through the list of team members to donate to a specific team member
- Join our team and walk with us!

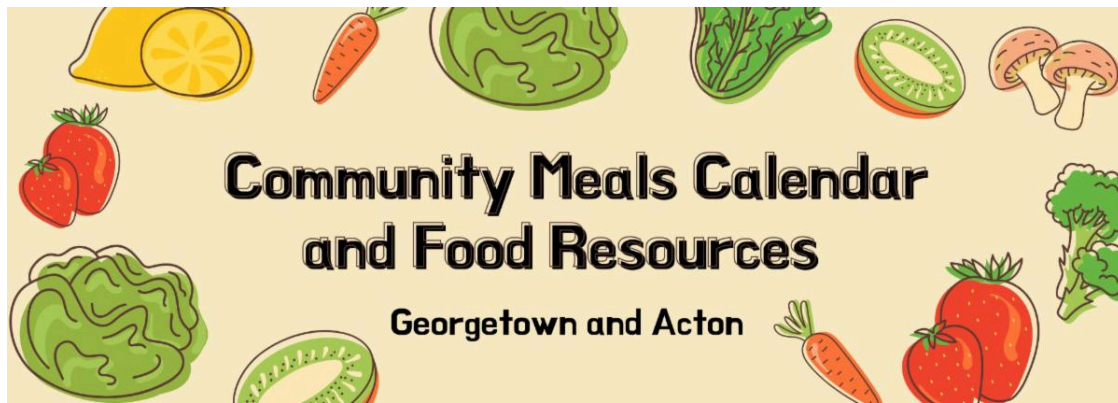
<https://townsendsmith.akaraisin.com/ui/Hike2026/t/e4a6aa681b9f4048b9405cb7d10dd9a2>

More information about the TSF and its work to build the North Halton Hospice can be found at the following link: <https://northhaltonhospice.ca/>

Any questions/want more information? Contact Sue Sibley
(suesibley24@gmail.com OR 905 703 6422)

[Please click here to register or sponsor a walker](#)

Community Announcements



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



Spring Flower Basket Fundraiser

Proceeds to Benefit the 4th Georgetown Scouting

Order deadline: Friday, May 1

Order Pick-up: Saturday, May 23, 10AM – 1PM

Please see Lochlan to place an order

Dear 4th Georgetown Scouting Supporter,

We're excited to let you know that our **Spring Flower Basket fundraiser is back** for another season.

Thanks to your generosity last year, we raised **\$1,717.07**, which helped us purchase new dining shelters, camping tables, a three-burner stove, and additional tents. This equipment is already making a big difference, giving our growing group of youth more opportunities to enjoy meaningful outdoor adventures together.

This year, we're once again offering beautiful, vibrant hanging flower baskets, perfect for brightening up your home for spring while supporting local Scouting *and* local greenhouses.

Important Dates:

- **Order deadline: Friday, May 1**
- **Order Pick-up: Saturday, May 23 | 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

📍 **17 Poets Path, Georgetown**

Every purchase helps us continue to deliver high-quality Scouting programs and unforgettable experiences for youth in our community.

Thank you again for your continued support; it truly makes a difference!
Warm Regards,
Vicky Spires aka Rainbow
4th Georgetown Scouting

[Click here to place your order online and please mention Lochlan](#)

Georgetown Horticultural Society's

Plant Sale



Friday May 8th 2026

6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Inside The Gellert Centre
10241 Eighth Line, Georgetown



www.geohort.com



STEM camp[®]

Registration for Summer Camp 2026 is OPEN!



STEM Camp is coming to a location near you for summer camp 2026! We can't wait for your camper to join us for Minecraft, LEGO, and messy, awesome FUN! For more information and to register, visit:

www.stemcamp.ca

[Click here for more info on the St. Andrew's STEM Camp location](#)



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Flowing Beyond the Banks

Credit: The United Church of Canada



In Chipman, New Brunswick, along the Salmon River, community isn't just an idea—it's how life flows. For over 126 years, Chipman United Church has been woven into the heart of the town.

The congregation is small—mostly seniors with a handful of youth, four of whom now help lead worship—and the choir is modest. But the impact is anything but small. Each month, about sixty meals are prepared and delivered through the LIFT program, feeding children, seniors, and neighbours who can't leave home. The church hall hosts community groups and sports programs, and members pour hot chocolate at the Christmas parade. Service here isn't occasional; it's a habit.

When some members could no longer attend in person, the church brought worship online. What was expected to reach twenty people drew thousands. Prayer requests now arrive by email, and a painting of the sanctuary is being turned into cards to remind those who feel alone that they belong.

This is rural ministry: rooted, connected, and alive. Mission and Service helps sustain communities like Chipman, keeping churches at the centre of town life. We can make a difference together. When we give to Mission and Service, we help ensure that churches like Chipman continue to feed, care for, and connect their communities. [Donate today](#) and be part of keeping this heart of the town alive.

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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