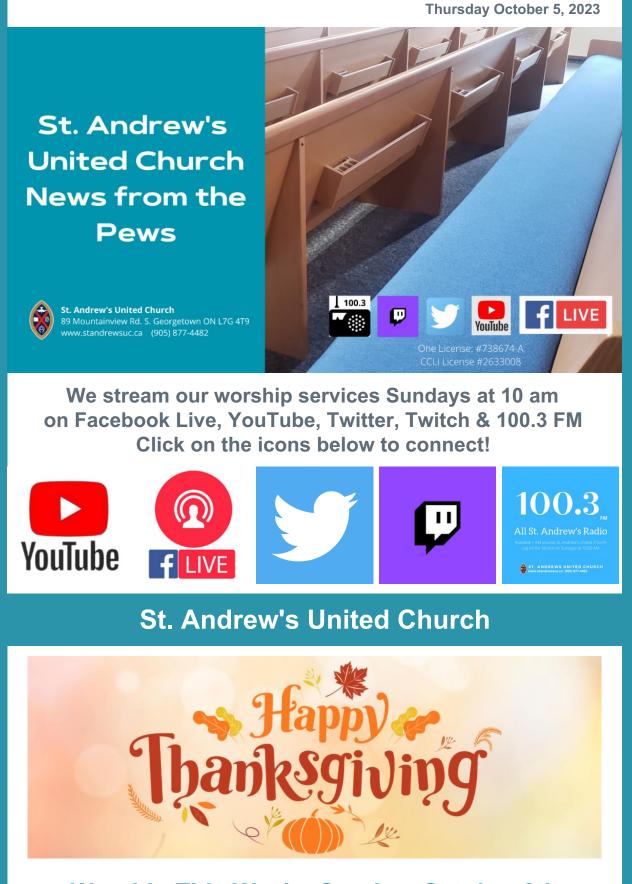
NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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



Worship This Week - Sunday, October 8th

Thank you to Rev. Sue Hertell for leading us in worship this week! Please join

us on Sunday as we offer her a warm welcome to the St. Andrew's family and celebrate Thanksgiving! Also, thank you to Valerie Jordan for beautifully decorating the sanctuary for Thanksgiving!

Scripture Readings: Philippians 4:4-7, Luke 17:11-19 **Sermon:** "Gratitude"



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Oct. 8 - Rev. Sue Hertell Oct. 15 - Rev. Sue Hertell Oct. 22 - Rev. Sue Hertell Oct. 29 - Scott Martin, LLWL Nov. 5 - Rev. Ross Leckie (Remembrance Sunday) Nov. 12 - Pastor Mario Charpentier Nov. 19 - Worship at Hillcrest United Nov. 26 - Rev. Ross or Jean Leckie (Anniversary Sunday) Dec. 3 - Pastor Mario Charpentier Dec. 10 - Sue Whaley and choir Dec. 17 - Pastor Mario Charpentier Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve (2 services - 10am & 7pm)



Scripture Summary



The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Humour Corner

A 4-year-old boy was asked to give thanks before Thanksgiving dinner. The family members bowed their heads in expectation. He began his prayer, thanking God for all his friends, naming them one by one. Then he thanked God for Mommy, Daddy, brother, sister, Grandma, Grandpa, and all his aunts and uncles. Then he began to thank God for the food. He gave thanks for the turkey, the stuffing, the fruit salad, the cranberry sauce, the pies, even the Cool Whip.

Then he paused, and everyone waited--and waited. After a long silence, the young fellow looked up at his mother and asked, "If I thank God for the broccoli, won't he know that I'm lying?"

Membership Announcements

Photo appointments still available:

Oct. 18th, 1 at 8 pm Oct. 19th 3 left Oct. 20th, 11 left Oct. 21st, 7 left We have been asked to schedule some folks who were away and missed appointments at their own churches so make sure you do not procrastinate. Click on the button below to make an appt or call the office at 905-877-4482

This directory is a capsule in time of our church history. Let's strive to make it a memorable account of the life of our church and the people who make it possible.

Colleen

Please click here to sign up online

St. Andrew's Announcements

Bread Basket Sunday

The Georgetown Bread Basket is running low on food due to high demand. If you are able, please bring food donations to church this Sunday, we'll have collection boxes out front.

Some of the most needed items include: Canned Meat, Canned Fruit, Juice, Soup, Coffee, Cereal, Rice, Sugar, Cookies, Crackers, Hamburger Helper, Healthy Baby snacks, Baby Wipes

Please click here for the full list of food items needed

Our Daily Bread Booklets

The October/November/December issue is now available! Please find them on the table across from the office. A donation of \$1 would be greatly appreciated.



Please click here for more details and the application form

Weekly Bible Study

10am every Thursday Letter to Timothy Invite your friends. Add to your spiritual journey.



The Rev. Ross Leckie will facilitate an on-line study group for Men, beginning in October. The book to be studied will be, An Audacious Invitation, A compelling reflection on the Gospel According to John by Walter Farquharson and Jeff Cook. "Here we discover a Jesus of love and compassion and hope, and a compelling call to a new way of living." I would begin the on-line Zoom format, October 16 at 10:00 am to 11:30 am.

Please let me know if you need further information.

Thanks, Ross Leckie

Community Announcements



GFORCe3 needs furniture URGENTLY

Our first Afghan family is arriving the week of October ^{dh}. We need several items to complete the furnishing of their house. If you can provide any of the items below, please contact Susan Tupling at 416.200.8675

or tupling@swdsl.com to arrange pickup.

- 3 bedside tables
- 3 bedside table lamps
- 1 tallboy dresser with 4 to 6 drawers
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- Set of kitchen dishes for a family of 5; also cutlery, glasses, pots and frying pans
- 2 bicycles (nice to have)



The UNITED 4 HOSPICE (U4H) team is comprised of volunteers from the four Georgetown United Churches (Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's) who are working as one to assist the Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF) with its goal to build North Halton's first hospice residence on the current Hillcrest site. The U4H will be supporting and promoting two key TSF events to educate the wider Georgetown community about the purpose of a hospice and the Foundation's plan to build one to serve the residents of North Halton. The first event is the Fifth Annual Candlelight Vigil Ceremony. It will be held on Tuesday October 17 at 7 PM at Hillcrest United Church. The ceremony is a meaningful, intimate gathering hosted by the TSF to honour those who have gone before us and to express support for access to residential hospice palliative care in North Halton. Please join with others from across North Halton to affirm our need for a community hospice.



Rotary Club of Georgetown Free Community Dinners

Everyone is welcome. Donations to cover the cost of those who are able to would be appreciated.

Friday, Oct 6th at 6:00pm

Doors open at 5:30pm Knox Presbyterian Church 116 Main St. S, Georgetown ON







UNITY Fall Yard Clean-up

Saturday Nov 4th, 2023, 8:15am to noon. Meet at St. Andrew's United Please join us afterwards from 12:00–1:00pm at Knox Presbyterian Church for lunch. Visit our bulletin board to sign up to volunteer or if you would like assistance with your yard clean-up!

Community Unity - Fall Yard Clean-up

Assisting families in need due to age, health or circumstance. When: Saturday Nov 4 th, 2023 Time: 8:15am to noon. Where: Meet at St. Andrew's United, 89 Mountainview Road South Bring: Garden rakes, clippers, garden gloves, other small garden tools. Please join us afterwards from 12:00 – 1:00 at Knox Presbyterian Church 116 Main Street for a time of fellowship, food and drink.

If you can't rake, join us and be a "friendly visitor". Should the date be rained out, homes will be assigned to individual churches to be completed at their convenience. To volunteer or if you have a home in need please provide your church representative, Minister/Reverend or email to tjc@chisintl.com with your name, cell number, email address and number in your group, or look for the Volunteer Form posted in your church.

"Local Churches Working Together Making a Difference In Our Community"



July 3–6, 2024 Brock University, St. Catharines, ON

Audacious Hope

Event for Youth, Young Adults, and those who lead them.

MORE INFORMATION SOON!

Brought to you by the Rendez-vous team of The United Church of Canada and the LIFT team of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.



Geeta's Story

Your generous support of Mission and Service provides life-saving advocacy.. Credit: The United Church of Canada



When Geeta's husband died, she not only lost her life partner but also her home. Because she was no longer married her in-laws wouldn't allow her to stay in their multi-generational residence.

Geeta is just one of an estimated 72 million women in India who are not married—nearly double the entire population of Canada. In India, most women are expected to marry and live with their husband and his family. Unmarried women, even those who are widowed, are often seen as dishonourable. Like Geeta, they may suffer abuse.

Fortunately, Geeta was able to flee to her parents' home with her two younger children, but many parents will not allow their newly single daughters to return. While Geeta and her younger children stayed with her parents, her in-laws stole her jewellery, changed the locks, and kept her two older children from her. That's when she turned to <u>Mission and Service</u> partner Astha Sansthan's Association of Strong Women Alone (ASWA) for help.

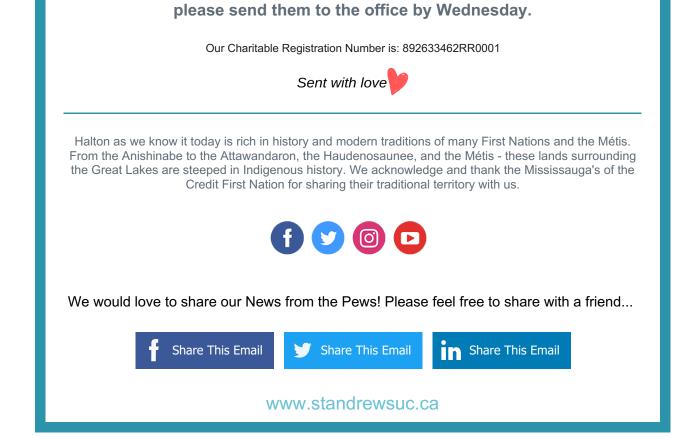
ASWA supports thousands of single women from low-income backgrounds in Rajasthan to defend their rights. The organization has also shared their advocacy methods and experiences with other groups across India. Thanks to ASWA's help, Geeta's in-laws ultimately had to give back her jewellery, unlock her home, and return her older children to her care.

Today, Geeta is living peacefully with her children in her part of the house. Your generous support of <u>Mission and Service</u> provides life-saving advocacy. It is one way your gifts address crushing inequality and help build a better world for all. Thank you!

WAYS TO GIVE



If you have announcements to share in next week's News from the Pews,



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