

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, February 27, 2025

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

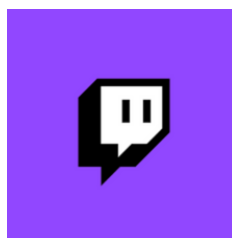


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## St. Andrew's United Church

### Worship This Week - Sunday, March 2nd

**8th Sunday after Epiphany**

**The Old Testament Reading:** Jeremiah 17:5-10

**The Gospel:** Luke 6:17-26

**The Sermon:** 'Be a Blessing'

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



## Scripture Summary

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.  
They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.  
It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;  
in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

## Humour Corner

In a moment creative inspiration, the entrepreneur who owned the coin-op laundry beside the church commissioned this sign for his window: "Where cleanliness really is next to Godliness!"

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## Membership Announcements

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# Coldest Night of the Year



## A Thank you from CNOY Angels United

Congratulations to the CNOY Angels United Georgetown team who had the largest team and raised the most money in Georgetown! The 28 members of **Angels United Georgetown**, the combined walking team of Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's, extend a big thank you to all those who generously supported our **Coldest Night of the Year Walk** on Saturday, February 22nd. Our combined outreach contributed over \$10,000 (with the top 4 fundraisers from St. Andrew's!) towards the successful achievement of the

Georgetown CNOY's goal of \$60,000. It is gratifying to be part of this large community-wide effort to support The Georgetown Bread Basket, Links2Care and all those who access their support services. Thank you.

### **Scout Sunday**

Our gratitude to the Scouts/Cubs and leaders for assisting with the service and especially for all their help setting up and taking down plus donations of treats during coffee time. We are so fortunate to have such an active and caring group as partners.

Colleen

### **Coffee Time Volunteers**

We are looking for coffee time volunteers for the month of March, including this Sunday. Please consider signing up on the sign up sheets outside of the sanctuary! Thank you to all of our volunteers!

### **Prayers of the People**

Our condolences are with the Martin family with the passing of their family dog, Bailey. We send our thoughts and prayers.

**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.**

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## **St. Andrew's Announcements**

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### **ONCE AGAIN IT IS BROADVIEW MAGAZINE RENEWAL TIME**

As with everything else due to increased printing costs, our annual subscription group rate which includes taxes is increasing from \$25 to \$30.

Your Broadview reps will be contacting you regarding your renewal or on site Sunday mornings. New subscriptions are welcome and this makes a great gift as it is a very informative magazine.

Payment: cash, cheque made out to St. Andrew's United Church or by Etransfer to: [standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com)

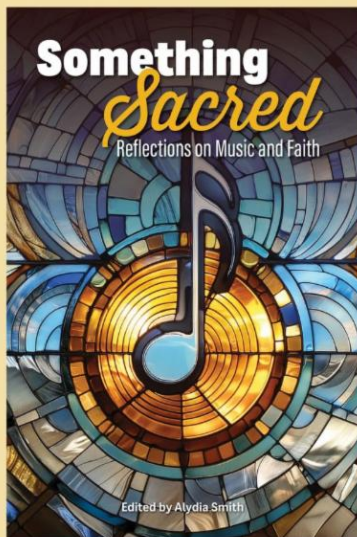
***Please note for the treasurer that this is Broadview subscription payment. Please do not send through Canada Helps.***

**Subscriptions need to be in no later than March 30.**

Broadview is an independent Canadian magazine featuring award-winning coverage of spirituality, justice and ethical living. As a registered charity, Broadview challenges and inspires readers seeking to live a purpose-filled life. Our spirituality reporting features Christian perspectives on belief and faith, as well as points of view from other religions and philosophies. We cover social justice from local, national and global contexts, drawing attention to contemporary issues and our response as people of faith and as caring citizens. Our ethical living stories offer inspiration and ideas on how we can all make a positive difference.

**NOTE:** The June issue will feature a special keepsake edition celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the UCC. There will be tribute letters and you may submit a name of someone who has made an impact in your church by March 15. Extra copies may be preordered by April 7 if desired.

Click on the link for more information. <https://broadview.org/donate/100th-anniversary-keepsake/>



## A Lenten Study

A Lenten Study during March will be offered by Kate on Monday nights via Zoom. Using the United Church Lenten Resource:

“Something Sacred, Reflections on Music and Faith” we will explore how music has the power to deepen our faith and our connection to God.

[Please click here to order the paperback or e-book \(Ucrd\)](#)

# Weekly Bible Study

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

## The Letter of Paul to the Romans

Lesson Eight, Romans 5

New Life, New Lifestyle

Our new life in Christ demands a new Lifestyle.

The new service completely ousts the old.

**Invite Yourself**



# Circle of Friends

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

Join us for our next meeting  
Friday, February 28th at 9:30 am  
in the Fellowship room





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## St. Andrew's Bible Study Presents: **An Easter Challenge**

**From now until Easter Sunday, April 20th, please consider making a donation to our Church Bank, "The Spirit of St. Andrew's"**

At coffee time, you can submit your guess of the church bank total and your selected charity. One guess per person please. The closest one to the final total on April 20th wins!

**We invite you to join us for a Potluck Luncheon following the service on Sunday, April 27th where we will announce the winner and chosen charity.**

The winner will declare their choice of Charity from the published list of local charities and the bible study group will present a cheque to the named charity on behalf of St. Andrew's.



### **Local Charities:**

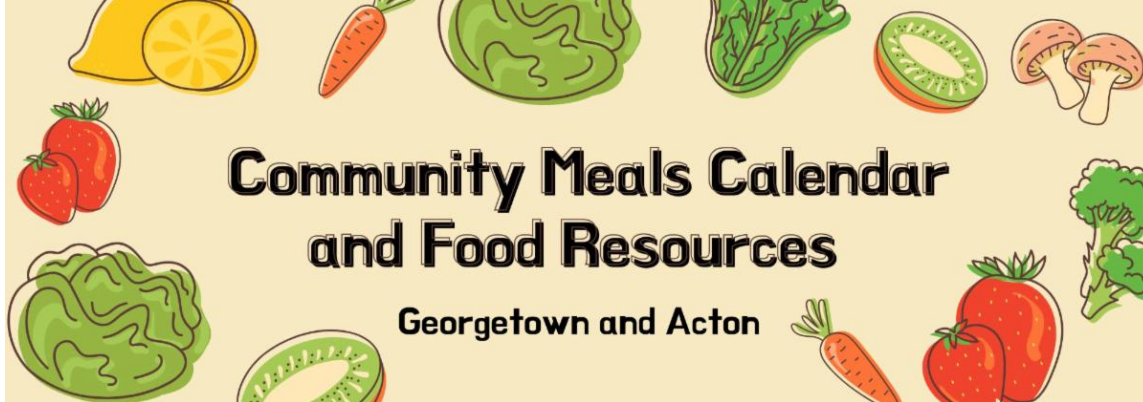
- Georgetown Hospital Foundation
- Cancer Assistance Halton Hills
- Links2Care
- Georgetown Bread Basket
- GFORCe3
- Townsend Smith Foundation
- Food4Kids Halton
- Upper Credit Humane Society
- Local families

*\*winner does not receive any money, all proceeds collected will be donated to a local charity*

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## Community Announcements

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# Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton

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



## World Day of Prayer

Join us for the World Day of Prayer on **Friday, March 7th** at 10:00 AM (gathering at 9:30 AM) at St. Paul's Anglican Church, 16 Adamson St., Norval.

This global event brings together people from 170 countries to pray for important world issues. Each year, a different country creates the service materials.

This year, the committee from the Cook Islands has chosen the theme "I made you wonderful." Psalm 139:1-18

Everyone is welcome to be part of this special time of prayer and action.

For more information contact Nancy Heinmiller 905-877-7947

We hope to see you there!





## Easter Basket Brigade Saturday April 5, 2025

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.

Jesus has chosen us as "His Hands/Heart" 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: Now - Saturday March 29th, 2025

Request:

"If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." (1 John 3:17-18)

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 April 5th 9:30 AM at Georgetown Christian Reformed Church. We are suggesting our 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.

God in his mercy has provided us with his bounty, and likewise we can open our hearts and share this bounty with our Community.

Please see the volunteer sign up sheets outside of the sanctuary!

[Please click here to make a donation, watch the video, or get more information](#)

On behalf of your Community Unity Team!

Timothy Chisholm

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Executive Director Easter Basket Brigade

Chair - Community Unity – Halton Hills

# Pancake Tuesday

Tuesday, March 4th

Free or Free Will Offering



**St. Alban's Glen Williams  
537 Main St.**

**Norval UC  
14015 Danby Rd.**

**St. John's UC  
11 Guelph St.**

**Bethel CRC Acton  
365 Queen St.**

**Salvation Army Acton  
114 Mill St. E.**

Grace United Church Presents

## *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper*

Scrumptious Pancakes & Sausages  
(with real maple syrup!)

**TUESDAY, March 4, 2025**

Served between 5 & 7 p.m.



### **Tickets:**

Adults \$15  
Children \$5  
(12 & under)

### **Tickets from**

Church office  
(905-451-1215)

Take out  
available



Be a part of the pay-it-forward social community.  
Donate the cost of a ticket by February 23 and Grace  
will distribute tickets to those who are in need.

Together we can make good things happen at Grace.  
Thank you for your support.

156 Main St. N., Brampton



# CHORAL SPHERES

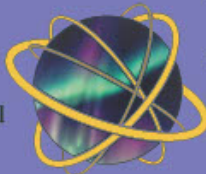
Presented by the Georgetown Bach Chorale under the  
direction of Ron Greidanus



## CONCERT DETAILS

Enjoy a stunning *a capella* performance of Allegri's *Miserere*, motets by Bruckner, Liszt, and Willan, & works by Gjeilo and Part in this heavenly venue with gorgeous accoustics!

Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, 2 p.m.  
Croatian Centre  
The Queen of Peace  
9118 Winston Churchill Blvd, Norval  
Adult: \$35 Student: \$15



Tickets are available for purchase  
from Ron Greidanus (905-873-9909),  
at [georgetownbachchorale.com](http://georgetownbachchorale.com),  
and at Foodstuffs: 89 Main St. S,  
Georgetown, (905-877-6569).

[Facebook.com/GeorgetownBachChorale/](https://www.facebook.com/GeorgetownBachChorale/)

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On Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2 pm, The Georgetown Bach Chorale present an all acapella at the Croatia Centre, 9118 Winston Church Hill Boulevard. This particular venue is perfection for the Miserere of Allegri and Motets of Bruckner, Liszt and Rachmaninoff. Tickets at \$35 dollars per adult/ \$15 for students can be purchased through the website at [www.georgetownbachchorale.com](http://www.georgetownbachchorale.com)

## Hope for Mothers, Strength for Families

Children and mothers in Ukraine are provided rest and renewal

*Credit: The United Church of Canada*



In the Eastern Carpathian Mountains, far from the chaos of war, a retreat in Tukhlya, Ukraine offers rest and renewal to mothers who have given everything for their families. Supported by Mission and Service partner ACT Alliance, ACT member Hungarian Interchurch Aid has welcomed 135 mothers and their children in the “Happy Family” initiative, providing space for healing and resilience.

In early January 2025, 18 mothers and their little ones arrived. All had either been displaced by war or lived near the frontlines. Many are exhausted, burdened by grief and overwhelming responsibilities. “I always thought only about my children—their clothes, food, education,” shares Yulia, a mother of five who lost her husband a year ago. “Here, I was able to stop and think about myself.”

With psychological support, hiking, art therapy, and group sessions, the retreat helps women regain their inner strength. While the women focus on healing, their children participate in creative activities, allowing everyone time for self-care. Many women hesitated before they left home, worried about stepping away from their duties and earnings. “How could I leave everything?” Yulia recalled. “But now I see how much I needed this time to regain my strength and return home with love and energy.”

For many, this is their first experience receiving psychological support. “These exercises helped me understand myself better,” says Nataliya, who fled to Lviv after losing her home. “I learned techniques I can use every day to cope.”

This retreat is made possible with help from your gifts to Mission and Service. While it cannot erase hardship, it offers strength for the journey ahead. Your support provides a space for healing, restoring hope, and empowering those in need. Thank you for making a difference.

# 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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