NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday December 14, 2023

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews





We stream our worship services Sundays at 10 am on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitter, Twitch & 100.3 FM Click on the icons below to connect!











St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, December 17th

Thank you to Pastor Mario Charpentier for leading us in worship this Sunday! Please join us as we light the Joy candle for the third week of advent.

Scripture Readings: John 14:1-3; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 & Revelation 19:6-8

Theme: The Joy of being part of the Future Wedding







Scripture Summary

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunderpeals, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Humour Corner

After the Christmas pageant, I asked my 6-year-old son if he remembered the gifts that the Magi brought to Jesus. He thought for a minute then said "gold, frankincense, and humor". We could all use that!

Membership Announcements

Thank you!

With the generosity of our amazing congregation, we filled many, many bags full of warm hats, mittens and scarves. In addition, we donated over 650 pounds of food to the Georgetown Breadbasket. That's almost 10% of the amount the entire town donated at the Superstore last Saturday....what an amazing achievement! Thank you to everyone who participated!

Also thank you to Sue Whaley, the choir and the guest performers for the wonderful musical service last Sunday!























St. Andrew's Announcements

Christmas Card Exchange at St. Andrew's



The mail slots for a Christmas Card Exchange are back! Save on postage and bring your Christmas cards for Church friends to church! Also, don't forget to check the slots once in a while for cards addressed to you!



Friday, December 15th, Doors Open at 5:30 PM

We hope you can join us this month for a full Turkey dinner!

With special performances from the Hillsview Centre Band!

Supported by Community Donors and Free Will Offerings.

All are welcome!

The Children, Youth and Friend's of St. Andrew's Present:

The Children
have been
hard at work
on our
Christmas
Play! Please
join us for a
fantastic
show!



The night that Heaven came down

> Created by Celeste Clydesdale

Arranged by David T.
Clydesdale

10:00am on Sunday, December 24th

Men's Online Bible Study

December 18th, 10:00-11:30 am

This week we will be meeting at St. Andrew's in the
Sanctuary. Contact Rev. Ross Leckie for more details.

Weekly Bible Study

Thank you to Heimen and Jackie for leading our bible study and to everyone who participated!

Bible Study will resume **Thursday, January 4th at 10:00am**

Book of Matthew: Beginning of the Kingdom Invite your friends. Add to your spiritual journey.



Looking for Volunteers for Coffee Time and Scripture Reading



New sign up sheets are posted! Please consider signing up on the sign up schedule outside of the sanctuary or contact the office. Thank you to all of our volunteers!



Our Daily Bread Booklets

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

Drivers Wanted!

We have a longtime church member looking for a ride to church from the Mountainview Terraces, occasional Sundays. Please contact the office for more details!

Community Announcements

Halton Hills Council votes against Contentious Power Plant Expansion



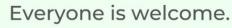
Matthew Tyhurst was a Climate Motivator with the UCC this past summer and worked along his mentor, Jean Leckie. Please click the links below to read about his projects and successes!

"I'm no councillor, mayor or politician. I'm not even in a position or age to vote yet. All I do is watch and hope that you keep the promises that you yourselves have set forward in a supposed attempt to secure the future of myself and future generations."

Please click here to view the article in the Toronto Star

Please click here to view the article in Halton Hills Today

Rotary Club of Georgetown Free Community Dinners



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



Thurs. Dec. 14th at 6:00pm

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





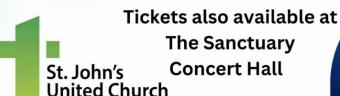


A Festive Evening of Live Jazz and Beautiful Singing Featuring A Charlie Brown Christmas and Your Favourite Holiday Music!

December 23rd, 7:30PM



Scan this QR code for tickets



Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds





Nourishing Spirits through Tradition

The Christmas Parade is one of London Community Chaplaincy's most popular traditions.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



When you think of the word "tradition," what comes to mind? At this time of year, many of us think of gathering with friends and family as we share stories over a warm meal.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas with our loved ones, it is heartbreaking to think of families who are unable to afford a warm meal or a small gift for their children. While we recognize this season as a time of joy, for many underprivileged families it is a difficult reminder of their struggle.

For Mission and Service partner London Community Chaplaincy (LCC), bringing joy and community-building fun to the social housing complexes they serve goes hand-in-hand with creating and sustaining traditions.

The Christmas Parade is one of LCC's most popular traditions. Children's eyes gleam with excitement as their stockings are filled with candy canes, books, and toys. There is music, food, and of course a visit with Santa Claus! With full bellies, children play together, filling the air with excitement and laughter while their parents connect, support each other, and share their stories.

Your gifts to <u>Mission and Service</u> help partners like the London Community Chaplaincy as they nourish spirits in their communities. Thank you.

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

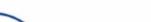






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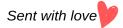




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If you have announcements to share or milestones to celebrate in next week's News from the Pews, please send them to the office by Wednesday.

Our Charitable Registration Number is: 892633462RR0001



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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