NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, August 1, 2024

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews





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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, August 4th

Combined Summer Services

Hillcrest • St. Andrew's • St. John's



Sundays at 10:00am St. John's United Church, 11 Guelph St.

For the month of August we are excited to be worshipping at St. John's along with the congregation from Hillcrest!

There will be no service at St. Andrew's.

We hope you can join us, as we worship as one!

Theme: Emancipation Sunday: We All Need Bread

The Old Testament Reading: Exodus16: 2-4, 9-15, John 6: 24-35

Message: Song for Reflection



Scripture Summary

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions."

Humour Corner

Helpful Prayer

Johnny had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over and then said a prayer.

"Fine", said the pleased mother. "If you ask God to help you not misbehave, He will help you."

"Oh, I didn't ask Him to help me not misbehave," said Johnny. "I asked Him to help you put up with me."

Membership Announcements

NOTE: Sept 1 we will be back at St. Andrew's and as it is the long weekend juice and cookies only.

Starting **Sept 8** we will resume coffee and tea in the gym.

Colleen

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.

St. Andrew's Announcements

Celebration of Life for David Baker

Saturday, August 24th at 3pm St. Andrew's United Church

We hope you will join us in celebration of his life. David was a valued member of our congregation and he will be deeply missed by his St. Andrew's Family. Our thoughts and prayers are with Lucy and their families.



I continue to thank so many of you for your kind remembrance of David Baker. He so loved being a part of this congregation. He loved baking for you all and always regretted that he could not physically do more.

We hope you will join us in celebration of his life on August 24, at 3 pm. Thank you all so very much.

We are so fortunate to have such a loving, caring minister in Rev Kate. She has been such a comfort to us both. I can't thank her enough. In sincere appreciation,

Lucy Oversby



Youth Leadership Animators Pursue Bold Ideas for Leadership in the United Church

Drop off at the church,

collection boxes are beside the photocopier



We send our congratulations to Matthew Tyhurst for all of the incredible work he does for our community and church with the support of Jean Leckie!

"This week, eight youth from across Canada meet in Calgary to lay the groundwork for 100 young people under the age of 30 to attend The United Church of Canada's General Council 45 next year.

Each brings their skills and enthusiasm to their local and regional communities through placements that will aid them in vocational discernment and leadership development. After this, they return to their local communities and regions to work on learning goals and projects for four weeks, but remain engaged throughout the year."

Please click here to read the full article

Community Announcements

Rotary Club of Georgetown Free Community Dinners



Everyone is welcome.

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



Fri. August 2nd at 6:00pm

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





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 supports and promotes 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 next events are the annual Candlelight Vigil in October and the annual Hike for Hospice in May 2025. U4H successfully organized the first Hike for Hospice to be held in Georgetown this past May. Further information about the Candlelight Vigil will be forthcoming in the Fall.



Facing an Uncertain Future in Lebanon

Many children in Lebanon are at risk of losing their education.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



Hamdan wants to become a doctor someday. As the oldest son, this young teenager dreams big amidst the daily struggles that he and his family face. Hamdan's family came to Lebanon several years ago to escape the war in Syria. They can barely afford their monthly rent, food, household expenses, clothing, and medical needs. While his father works in a produce shop, his mother stays at home to care for the family's four children and two other family members. This family of eight lives on the father's pay and a small income supplement they receive from the UN.

Like Hamdan, many children in Lebanon are at risk of losing their education because an economic crisis—intensified by the COVID pandemic and the devastating 2020 explosion in Beirut—has plunged their families into poverty. When parents can't pay school tuition, children face an unstable future. The Middle East Council of Churches (MECC) assists Lebanese students and Syrian refugees ages 8–13 with tuition and fees to secure their education and prevent them from becoming a lost generation.

One thing Hamdan's parents don't have to worry about anymore is his education. With tuition assistance provided by MECC to Hamdan and his siblings, they can continue to study until graduation and gain entrance into a university—giving Hamdan a chance to achieve his dream.

Your support through <u>Mission and Service</u> helps remove barriers for teenagers like Hamdan so they can work toward their dreams. Thank you.

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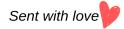
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Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history. We acknowledge and thank the Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation for sharing their traditional territory with us.









We would love to share our News from the Pews! Please feel free to share with a friend...







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