

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, March 20, 2025

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

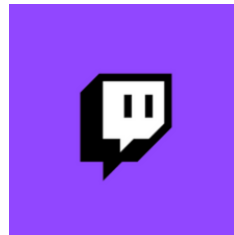


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**We stream our worship services Sundays at 10 am
on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitch & 100.3 FM
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St. Andrew's United Church

Worship This Week - Sunday, March 23rd

The 3rd Sunday of Lent

The Responsive Psalm: Psalm 63:1-8 VU 781 Refrain #2

The Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

The Sermon: 'Fig Leaves'

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

Scripture Summary

In the sanctuary let me see how mighty are your works; your constant love is better than life itself, and so I will praise you.

Humour Corner

Why did the spring flower start a prayer group?
It wanted to blossom in faith!

Membership Announcements



PIE day was a huge success with such a wonderful assortment and I wish to thank all those who brought pies and who helped with set up and clean up. Also thanks to Rev. Neil Young for an entertaining take on Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness.

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



ST. ANDREW'S

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Friday, March 21st, Doors Open at 5:30 PM

89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown

Anyone wanting takeout,
please contact the office by Thursday.

Supported by Community Donors and Free Will Offerings

BROADVIEW MAGAZINE RENEWALS



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. - \$30.

Your Broadview rep Ginny Morecroft 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.

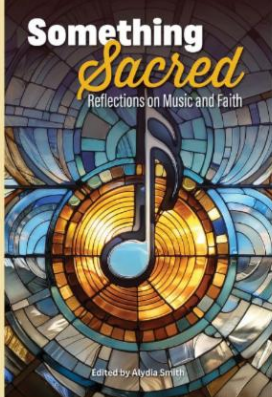
Payment: cash, cheque made out to St. Andrew's United Church or by Etransfer to: standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com

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.

If you wish to have a keepsake copy of the 100th UCC anniversary edition it may be preordered by April 7 by the following link:

<https://broadview.org/donate/100th-anniversary-keepsake/>



A Lenten Study

7:00pm on Monday Evenings
March 10th, 17th, 24th, and
31st ; April 7 and 14th

Join Kate for one hour 6 Monday evenings as we explore together how the power of music can deepen our connection to God and form us as disciples of Christ. March 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st ; April 7 and 14th.

Using the book *Something Sacred: Reflections on Music and Faith* as our guide, we will spend time each week reflecting on how music has shaped our spiritual life.

Topic: LENTEN STUDY

Time: Mar 24, 2025 06:45 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Mon, 6 occurrence(s)

Meeting ID: 871 1287 1915

Passcode: 425491

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87112871915?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87112871915?pwd=uRHK7xgVQDwi5poZvNnTGsPhXjXUCA.1)

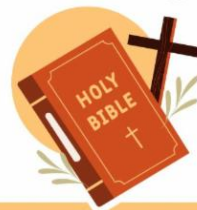
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[Please click here to purchase the e-book \(Ucrd\)](#)

[Please click here to join the meeting](#)

Men's Online Bible Study

10:00-11:30 am
Monday mornings on Zoom



On Monday mornings there is a Men's Study Group meeting on Zoom from 10:00-11:30 am. Throughout Lent this year we are studying the book, *Freeing Jesus* by Diana Butler Bass. The book is available as an e-Book or hard copy (\$25).

Here is one person's review-*"I recommend Freeing Jesus to anyone looking for a deeper understanding of who Jesus is. Bass's incredible wisdom is a breath of fresh air in a time where hope is desperately needed."* (Kirsten Powers)

We would welcome newcomers.

Please speak to Ross Leckie for further information.

905-873-9808 rleckie@sympatico.ca

Weekly Bible Study

Every Thursday at 10:00am in the Fellowship room

The Letter of Paul to the Romans

Lesson Eleven, Romans 8:18-39

Glorious Conquerors

To realize our present sufferings cannot compare with the future glory we will receive in Christ.



Our Daily Bread Booklets

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



HIKE
FOR HOSPICE

MAY 3, 2025 | 10:00AM

PRESENTED BY:

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Walking to raise funds to build a hospice in North Halton.

Choice of 3 routes in either: Acton, Georgetown or Milton!

Participate solo or with a team. Everyone is welcome!

WWW.TOWNSEND-SMITH.CA

JOIN US!

\$25 Registration Fee

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TO REGISTER



HIKE FOR HOSPICE - We are walking to raise funds to build a hospice! Hillcrest, Norval, St. Andrew's and St. John's United Churches along with other community reps will be walking as one team **UNITED4HOSPICE**, for a second year in a row to raise funds to build a hospice. The annual **Hike for Hospice is set for Sat. May 3, 2025 at 10:00AM**. There will be accessible and visible 5km and 2.5km routes running through Georgetown South, with Norval United Church serving as our start/finish location. Your support as a walker, sponsor or volunteer will help the **Townsend Smith Foundation (TSF)** build a hospice for North Halton. <https://townsend-smith.ca/hike4hospice/>

Join as a Walker or Sponsor someone else

It is time to build our team! We are inviting you to join the **UNITED4HOSPICE** team by signing-up as a walker or by sponsoring a familiar name from St. Andrew's. Please encourage your friends, neighbours, relatives and co-workers to sign up and join us on hike day.

You can register to be a walker, sponsor someone else, or donate to our team in general by using the **U4H** team's direct link <https://www.canadahelps.org/s/6WqJK3>

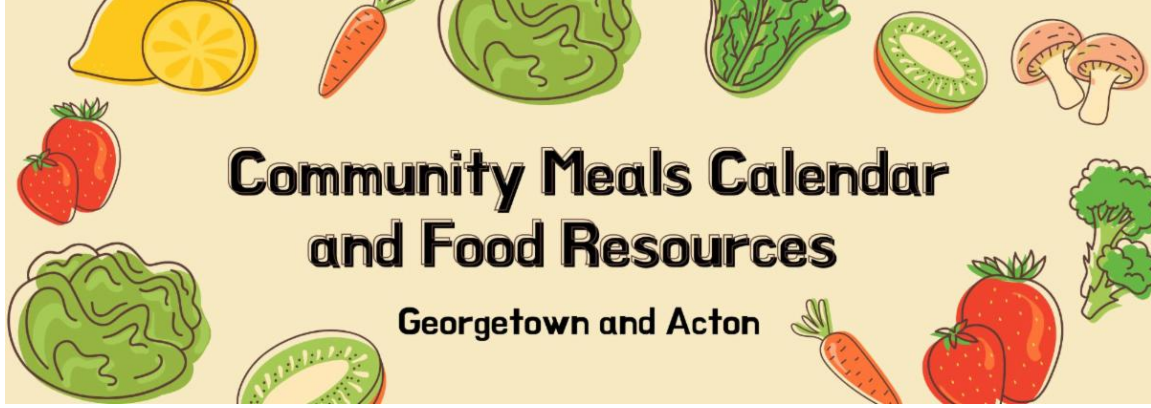
Join as a Volunteer

We need a cadre of 45 volunteers from the 4 congregations to run the event on May 3rd at Norval UC. We could use your help with the Hike Route (serving as guides along the street route to provide safety and encouragement to walkers), Inside (checking-in and welcoming walkers), Outside (welcoming walkers, directing parking and assisting with outside activities).

Please contact Jean Leckie (905) 873-9808 j.leckie1@sympatico.ca before April 15, 2025 to let her know how you would like to volunteer on hike day.



Community Announcements



Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton

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

Zach Sutherland & Kaya Firth Resiliency Foundation

For Halton Hills youth – ages 17-24



2025 applications for the Zach Sutherland and Kaya Firth Resiliency Foundation are being accepted from **March 15, 2025 to May 1, 2025.**

The 2025 Resiliency Scholarship is **an education award of \$1,500** for post-secondary education pursued at the university, college or apprenticeship level.

It is open to **Halton Hills youth (17-24 years old)** who have **demonstrated resiliency despite facing loss of a loved one in their lives.** We believe that young people who have found and cultivated their own resilience are ideally positioned to light the way for others by sharing their story.

To submit an application and review FAQ's, please go to:

www.choose2beresilient.com/how-to-apply



Please click here to submit an application and review FAQ's



Easter Basket Brigade Saturday April 5, 2025

Collection of Cards/Donations: Now until Saturday March 29th, 2025

Request:

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, Ross Leckie.

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
tjc@chisintl.com
Executive Director Easter Basket Brigade
Chair - Community Unity – Halton Hills

IT'S THE

Awesome
Sale

HANDMADE CRAFTS
BAKE TABLE
LOCAL VENDORS
COFFEE & MUFFINS

SATURDAY, MARCH 29
9AM TO NOON

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
70 MILL STREET EAST, ACTON



"Words are hard to find that adequately describe the concert I experienced today by the Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir. It lifted my spirits, brought me to tears, gave me goosebumps and cleared the heavy sadness I've been feeling lately from my heart and the confused fog from my mind."

CONCERT ATTENDEE FROM EXETER ON, 2024

Toronto Welsh Male Voice Choir

- Saturday April 26
- Norval United Church



Tickets \$50 Concert tickets are available in person at the Church or order by phone at 905 877 6122, or email office@norvalunited.ca.

Light refreshments, beer and wine will be available for purchase during the intermission and after the concert.



Saturday April 26, 2025, from 7 to 9 pm. | Doors open at 6:30
Norval United Church, 14015 Danby Road, Georgetown.

For more information go to: <http://norvalunited.ca/news/>



GFORCE3 Rental Request

GFORCE3 (The Georgetown Friends of Refugee Committee) is currently looking for a three Bedroom Apartment at a reasonable rent for our Afghan Refugee Family. Hopefully, this rental apartment would be close to Downtown Georgetown or the GO Bus. If you are aware of such a facility or know of an upcoming three-bedroom vacancy, please forward your information to Susan Tupling at 416-200-8675 or Dennis McLay at 905-877-2948.



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Springtime of the Spirit

Spring reminds us of renewal, of hope, of life returning.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



First come the tiny snowdrops, bravely peeking out over the melting snow. Then, the crocuses with their delicate purple petals, followed by the buttery-yellow daffodils. By the time I'm bundling up for Easter service, tulips in every colour of Joseph's splendid coat are blooming.

Spring reminds us of renewal, of hope, of life returning. And in this Easter season, I see that same renewal in the Mission and Service work that your generosity makes possible.

Because of you, Mission and Service partners are like the first flowers of spring—blooming where they are needed most. Your compassion takes root and becomes warmth and care for those in crisis, hope for those facing hardship, and new possibilities for communities near and far.

Like the crocuses and tulips, our shared ministry blossoms in many forms, responding to the needs of different communities in the ways that will help most. Your support makes this possible, and for that, we are deeply grateful. This Easter, may you be like the first flowers of spring—vibrant, alive, and bringing joy to those around you. In this time of renewal, know that your generosity through Mission and Service will help even more seeds of hope take root and grow. Thank you.

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.



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



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