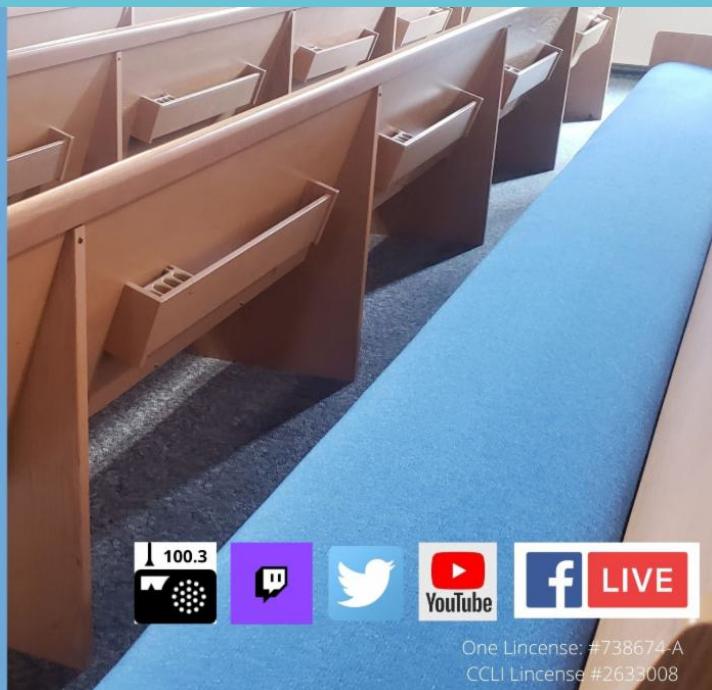


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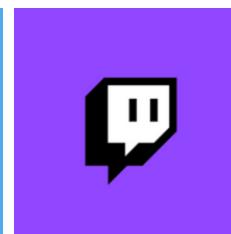
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## NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday January 19, 2023

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

This Sunday is a special day. We have invited the congregation of St. John's to come and worship with us. It's the week of prayer for Christian Unity. The week of Prayer for Christian Unity encourages people around the world to set aside their differences and join together in Unity of our beliefs in Jesus.

In the world today there are many places where injustice and racism occur. Places where people are oppressed or shunned because of their nationality, race, religion, or sexuality. God desires us to love one another, to honor differences, show respect, and seek justice whenever possible.

In our service this week we will be looking at ways that we can be unity by the love of Christ and live in harmony with one another. In the United Church, we welcome and accept people of diversity with open arms, open hearts, and open minds. Together we will explore through music, scripture, prayer and a water

and stone liturgy, ways that we can embrace our uniqueness and honor one another as we live in harmony in God's World.

Our new creed, which is the statement of faith in the united church asks us all to

...be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen"

On Sunday we will join with St. John's to explore how we can build relationships as we live out our faith. We hope you will join us on this exciting day with St. John's as we celebrate Unity in Christ together. Both our choirs will be singing in the service and the liturgy will be shared by St. John's and St. Andrew's.

Our live stream will also be offered to both congregations simultaneously.

**Scripture Readings:** Colossians 3: 1-2, 12-17, 1 Corinthians 12: 4-31 "The Message"

**Meditation:** Living in Harmony!



We are pleased to announce Stephanie Scott has accepted the position of church custodian! We are pleased to have a committed member of the congregation who knows and cares so much for the church to take on this important role.

M & P also wanted to thank Tammy Levante for her dedicated and selfless support of the church over these last few months. We have been lucky and most grateful to have Tammy's leadership in getting us through in the interim and her skills have helped set the bar for the consistency required in the role. We wish her the best in her new professional adventure.



Volunteers needed to sign up for **to end of Feb.**

We continue to serve coffee in the gym. As it takes longer for set up of tables and chairs, it is advisable to arrive no later than 9:30 in order to be in church for the start of the service.

GFORCe3 AFGHAN SPONSORSHIP TEAM  
Presents

# *A Loverly Evening with GFORCe3*



*Saturday, February 11, 2023  
Norval United Church*

14015 Danby Road, Georgetown

Cocktails at 6:15PM

Dinner at 7:00PM

Cash Bar: Beer, Wine, Cider

Live Entertainment

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*Reserve your tickets with Susan Tupling by sending your details ASAP to [tupling@swdsl.com](mailto:tupling@swdsl.com)*

GFORCe3 is having a fundraising dinner entitled "A Loverly Evening with GFORCe3" on Saturday, February 11, 2023. These funds are to bring two Afghan families to Canada, and until then support them while they are hiding out in Pakistan. Could you please advertise this community event in your bulletin/announcements throughout the month of January and the first Sunday in February? A poster with details of the dinner is attached. A silent auction may be added to the evening.

# Thank You!

On behalf of the Congregation of St. Andrew's United Church we would like to acknowledge & thank RE/MAX and the Krause Morris Team of Georgetown for their generous donation of Hats, Gloves, Scarves & Mittens for the St. Andrew's Christmas Mitten Tree campaign in 2022.

Our thanks also to Jennifer Holloway of RE/MAX and the Krause Morris Team and a member of St. Andrew's United Church congregation for organizing & facilitating the donation by RE/MAX for needy Families in & around Georgetown.



## Georgetown Bread Basket

If you are thinking of making a donation to the Georgetown Bread Basket this month, the items in most need are drink boxes for students, individual pudding cups (preferably Chocolate); Pancake Mix; Ketchup and Sugar. Items can be dropped at the food bank or at St. Andrew's United Church and they will be delivered for you.

The poster features a large white coffee cup filled with dark coffee on the left side. The background is orange. At the top right is the church logo and text: "ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH" and "www.standrewsuc.ca (905) 877-6482". Below that, in large bold letters, is "Sat Jan 21, 2023". Underneath that, in smaller text, is "ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH". To the right of the coffee cup, the words "MEN'S Breakfast CLUB" are written in a stylized font, with "Breakfast" being the largest word. To the right of "Breakfast" is "at 9 AM" and "at the Legion.". At the bottom right, the text "All are invited to join us! Email the office to join!" is written.

The St. Andrew's Men's breakfast group will be meeting at 9 AM this Saturday January 21st at the Georgetown Legion. All are welcome to join us!

# Mark Your CALENDAR



On Sunday, January 22nd at 10 AM we have invited the St. John's United Church congregation to come and join us for worship at St. Andrew's. Our service will be focused on the theme of Christian Unity. January 18-25th is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Churches around the globe will be joining together for prayer and worship as we are all united by the love of Jesus. This service will have shared leadership between both churches and our choirs will be singing. We hope you will join us for this special service.

## Looking for Committee Reports!

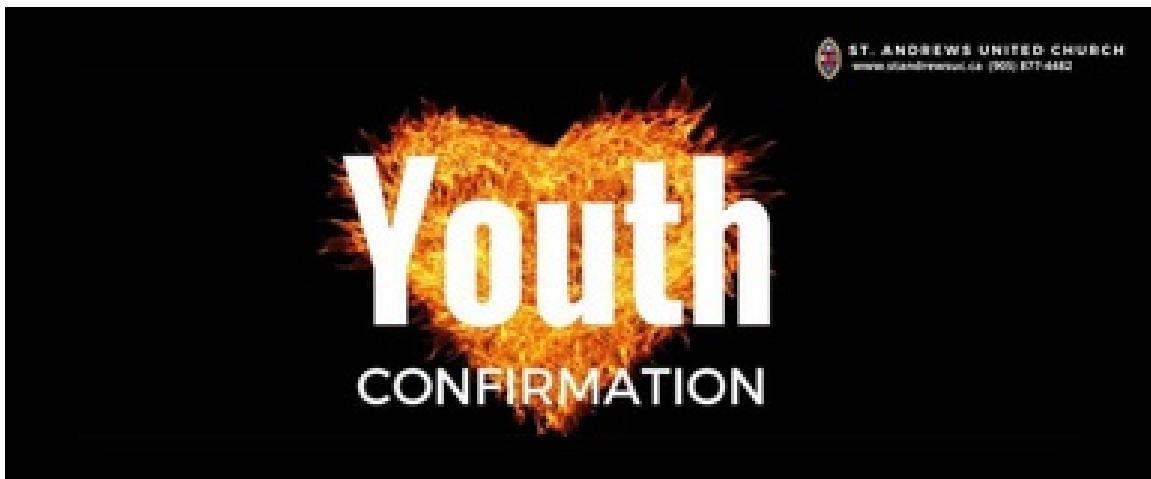


Please ensure all your reports are submitted by **January 19, 2023** to the office.



On February 12th we will be holding our annual meeting following the worship service. The meeting each year will give a review of the past year and agenda and budget for the next year. In this meeting, the Visioning team will be

presenting an update on the progress made since we formed it in September. We also will be electing a new slate of directors and team leaders for the next year. If you are interested in being on the board, we have one vacant director position, as well we are in need of a new treasurer and vice treasurer. There are also other positions available on Finance, Christian Education, Worship, Membership, Ministry and Personal, and Trustees. If you are interested in taking on a leadership role, please speak to Alan Grundy or Grant Williams.



We are hoping to run a youth faith confirmation class in the new year at St. Andrew's. This will be open to anyone in grades 8 and up. If your son or daughter, or grandchild is interested please speak to Rev. Grant



It's cold out there. On **February 25, 2023**, our team "Georgetown United Angels" is going to do something about it. Together with thousands of Canadians across the country, we're walking and fundraising to support and serve people and families experiencing homelessness, hurt, and hunger in our community. Please, give generously by clicking the "Donate Now" button below. You're also welcome to join our team too with the link below!

[Coldest Night of the Year](#)

## USED BATTERIES

The Georgetown Hospital Volunteer Association has an ongoing fundraising program for the recycling of used batteries. We now have a



collection box on the table by the photocopier where the pop tab and other collection boxes are.



If you or your child wishes to be baptized at St. Andrew's, please contact Grant Williams to find out more information.



Our weekly bible study is held on thursdays at 10 am in person at the church.  
Everyone is welcome!

Circle of Friends meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> if there is one in the mornings. All are welcome to attend.



The choir practices Thursday evenings at 7 pm. All are welcome! No previous experience required!



## United Church Mission & Service Fund

**"We saw such a change in how people felt about themselves after experiencing this kind of a meal"**

Many of us sit down to good home-



& Service partner. Several times a year, the adult drop-in centre sets up a small room for a special fine-dining meal with gourmet food, decorations, and candlelight. For just \$2, participants have their choice of meal accompanied by full service and great company.

“We realized that people in our community struggling with poverty had to wait in line a long time for a meal. When they were served, they weren’t given any choice and felt pressured to leave so that the next person could be served. That’s why we started Café Cinq-Zéro-Sept,” says Richard LeBlanc, Centre 507’s Executive Director. “We saw a real change in how people felt about themselves after experiencing this kind of a meal. We wanted this dining experience to become the norm rather than the exception.”

While COVID-19 has been challenging, it has also helped the drop-in take a step toward achieving their goal. “One of the great things that happened when COVID hit was that we had to start a system where everyone sat down and was served,” says LeBlanc.

Centre 507 now serves 25 people at sit-down meals and provides 150 people with meals to go each day. The café has incorporated a training program where participants learn to be servers, too. “We are taking the next step toward achieving our goal. We aren’t going back to line-ups after the pandemic,” vows LeBlanc.

Thank you for giving generously through [Mission & Service](#). Your support helps create a world where everyone has enough food, served with dignity.

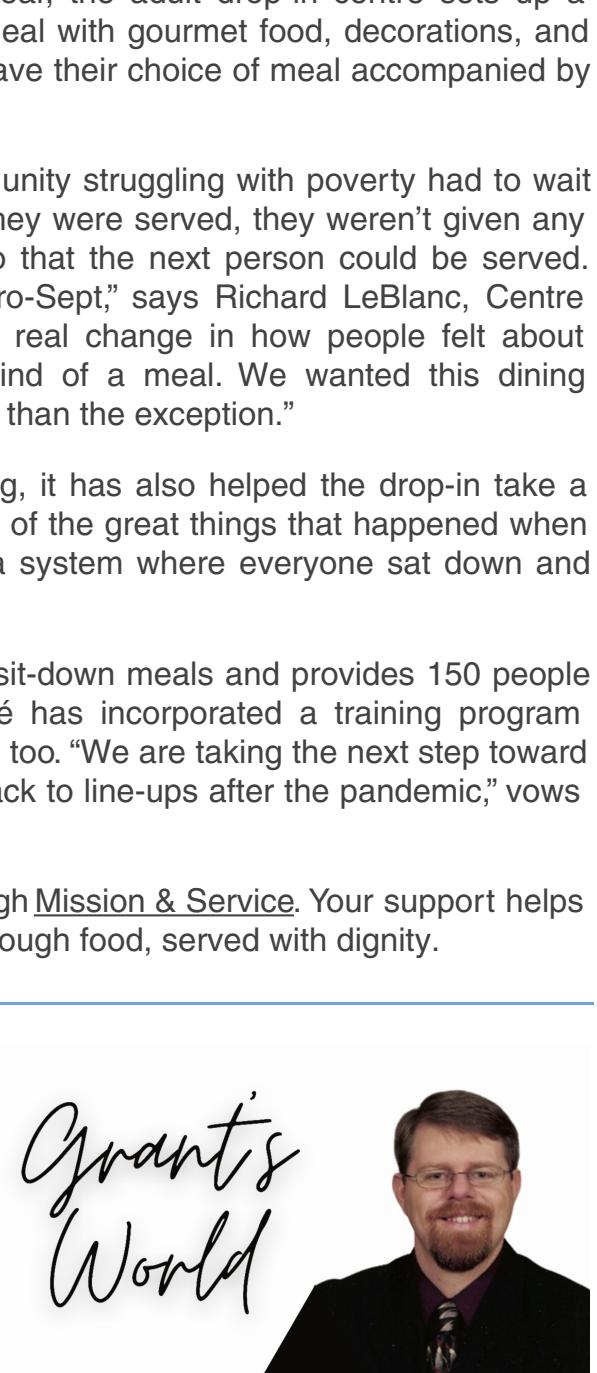
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On Sunday, we heard of the passing of Alice Greenaway. Alice was a faithful member of St. Andrew's for more than 60 years. She died in the hospital peacefully on Sunday, January 15th with her daughter Gail by her side. I was fortunate to have been able to spend time with Alice in the hours just before she passed away. She was truly a blessing. There will not be any funeral or memorial service for Alice, as per her wishes. She will be cremated and her ashes sent to Winnipeg to be buried with her husband Grant and their extended family.

Alice will be remembered fondly for her many contributions to the life and ministry of St. Andrew's for the many years she taught Sunday School, greeting at the door and sending cards, and making countless phone calls to

cooked meals and can afford to go out for dinner from time to time. We’re able to prepare elaborate dinners at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Our daily experience doesn’t include standing in line, tray in hand, for every single meal.

That’s why the special dinners like Café Cinq-Zéro-Sept hosts are so important. Centre 507 is an Ottawa-based Mission



people having a birthday, anniversary, or other special milestones.

Alice always had a smile on her face and if you ever needed to know any information about the community or the congregation Alice was our own social networking. Any time I would hear of someone needing pastoral assistance; I would contact Alice first to get the info. The grapevine is one thing but then there was Alice who was on top of everything!

Alice lived her faith openly and showed love whenever she could. She lived a long and happy life for nearly 98 years. As the words of the apostle Matthew 25:23 writes, "well done good and faithful servant." She was a blessing to all who knew her and will be missed.

We extend our prayers and condolences to her daughter Gail and their family in this time of loss. The family wishes to have any memorial donations made to St. Andrew's United Church.

Blessings,  
*Grant*



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