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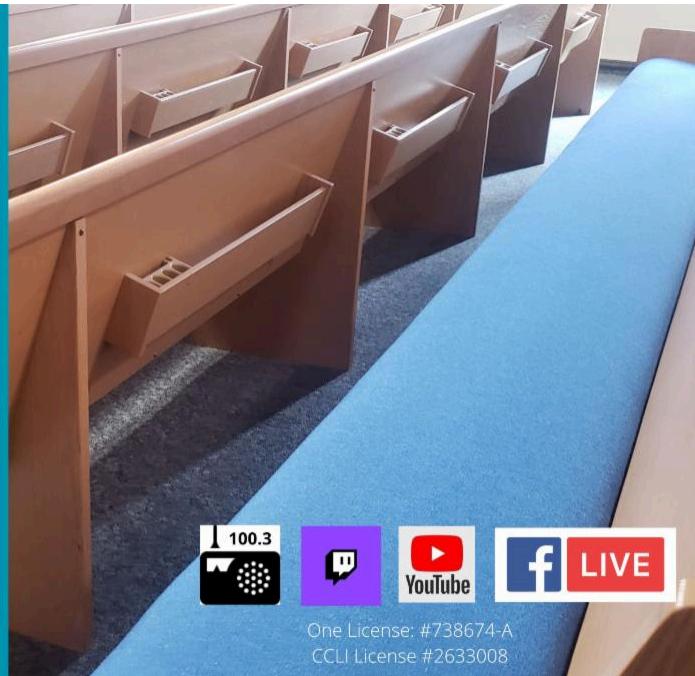
News and Inspiration from St. Andrew's United Church, Georgetown, ON

Thursday, January 1, 2026

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

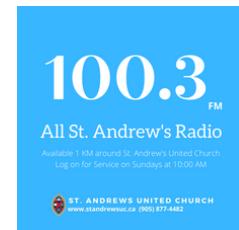
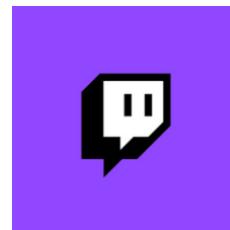


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St. Andrew's United Church

**Worship this Week:
Sunday, January 4th
10AM at St. John's United**

This Sunday is the start of our Combined Worship Services with St. John's United! Services for both congregations will be held together led by Rev. Kate Young, with the location alternating monthly between the two churches. On the last Sunday of each month, each congregation will worship separately in their home church. We look forward to worshipping together and strengthening our shared community of faith.

At St. John's: January 4, 11, 18

At St. Andrew's: January 25 led by Scott Martin



As we begin a new year, we thank God for His faithfulness and the fresh beginnings He gives us each day. We look forward to growing together in faith, love, and service in the year ahead.

Thank you for being part of our church family. May this year be filled with God's peace, joy, and blessings!

Humour Corner

What do cows say on January 1st?

Happy Moo Year!

Membership Announcements

In Loving Memory: Christmas Poinsettias

The beautiful poinsettias gracing our sanctuary this Christmas have been thoughtfully purchased in memory of cherished loved ones.

In memory of Peter and my brother Gary
From Carol Dalbec

In memory of family and friends
Susan and Lorne Campbell

In memory of the Glover and MacLeod families
Lorne and Kathy MacLeod

In memory of Dorothy Armstrong and Fran Trowbridge
From Colleen and Rick Armstrong

In memory of Howard Beitz
From Marlene Beitz

In memory of family and friends
From Jean Brown

In memory of Bert Burns
From Carolyn Burns

In memory of Emerson and Gerry Clarke
From Joyce and Lee-Anne Clarke

In memory of my Parents, Jack and Jean White
From Valerie Jordan

In memory of Alan and Evelyn Martin and Ron Lovegrove
From Scott, Barb Martin and Family

In memory of Elsie & Don McClure and Norma and Chuck Hattey
From Nora and Phil McClure

In memory of loved ones
From Linda McKinnon

In memory of Margaret's sister, Joan
From Earl and Margaret Pepper

In memory of Earl Lewis Nelson
From Florence Riehl

In memory of Arthur Christmas
From the Scott, Pepper and Christmas Family

In memory of Richard Scott
From the Scott, Pepper and Christmas Family

In memory of loved ones
From Nancy and Graeme Thompson

In memory of Michelle's grandparents and Ross' brother, Doug
From the Yahiro Family

***In memory of our parents, Tom and Mary McLarty
and Derrick and Pat Young***
From Kate and Neil Young

In memory of our loved ones
From Kate and Neil Young



Photos from earlier this month capture a wonderful Christmas season at St. Andrew's! We enjoyed beautiful performances from our children's choir and the Bell Choir, and thank you to Stephanie for leading both groups. Thank you to Valerie for decorating our sanctuary with poinsettias and helping create such a festive and welcoming space. We also joyfully welcomed our newest member,

Jensen Arthur Pepper, into our congregation through baptism, surrounded by parents Erynn and Eric and proud grandparents Stephanie and Bryan. It was a wonderful Christmas season at St. Andrew's!

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

St. Andrew's Announcements



Weekly Bible Study

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

Bible Study will Resume on January 8th.

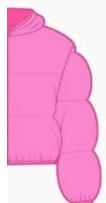
Newcomers are always welcome,
please join us in the new year!

- We pray and we listen for God's voice through Scripture, reflection, and silence



NOW ACCEPTING:

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ST. ANDREW'S FREE CLOTHING ROOM

Clothing room hours:

**9:00am-12:00pm Tuesdays and Thursdays
or by appointment**

All are welcome!



Thank you for all of your donations!



ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2025

It's hard to believe it's that time of year again!

To all Ministries, Committees, and Groups:

Please submit your reports for the 2025 Annual Report to the office by **Sunday, January 18th, 2026**.

Reports can be emailed to: office@standrewsuc.ca.

If your committee does not have a Chairperson, please assign a member (or members) to prepare the report. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact the office. Thank you for your contributions!



**Save the Date:
Sunday, February 22nd**

St. Andrew's Annual General Meeting

The meeting will follow the service. More details to come.



Our Daily Bread Booklets

The January/February/March issue is now available! Please find them on the table across from the office. Donations to the Daily Bread would be greatly appreciated.



Community Announcements

snacks and refreshments available



GEORGETOWN YOUTH HANGOUT

FRI. JAN 9TH AT 7PM

PRISM HALTON & NORVAL UNITED CHURCH
14015 DANBY RD



FOR 2SLGBTQIA+
YOUTH AND ALLIES



Norval United Church is pleased to host a monthly safe space drop-in for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth and allies from Georgetown and the surrounding area. This program is offered in partnership with PRISM and provides a supportive, welcoming environment for youth to connect with one another.

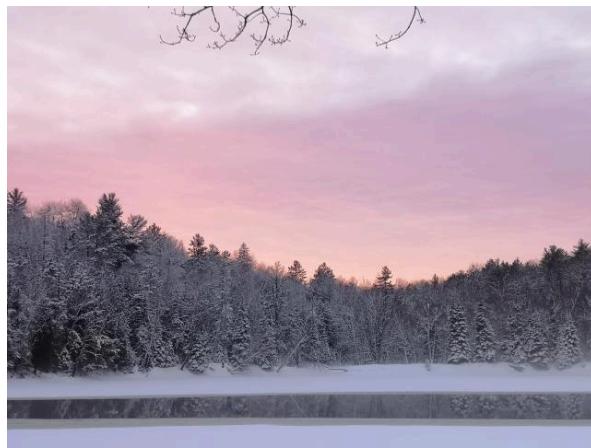
The drop-in takes place in the youth room at Norval United Church and is supervised by at least two adult allies with current police checks. Activities are casual and youth-led, typically including crafts, games, or other creative options based on the interests of those attending.

Events are usually held monthly on the first Friday, with details shared on social media. Our next drop-in will be held on January 9th. Please see the attached poster for event details and follow social media for future dates.



Rooted in Hope as a New Year Begins

Credit: The United Church of Canada



As we turn toward a new year, we pause to reflect on all that 2025 has held—the challenges that tested us, the resilience that sustained us, and the moments of compassion and connection that reminded us who we are called to be. A new year invites reflection, but it also invites imagination. It offers space to dream, to reset, and to open ourselves once again to the transforming power of Christ's love.

Even in a world where uncertainty remains, one truth continues to shine through: acts of kindness and solidarity matter. They shape communities, restore hope, and remind us that we are never alone. Through Mission and Service, these small and steady acts grow into something larger: a network of care that stretches across neighbourhoods, regions, and the world.

As 2026 approaches, we carry forward the lessons and light of the year behind us. Let the coming year be one in which we deepen our commitment to caring for one another and for creation. Let it be a year where we walk alongside Mission and Service partners, drawing strength from shared purpose and shared hope. Together, we can nurture a future rooted in justice, compassion, and peace.

Thank you for the impact made throughout 2025. Your generosity through Mission and Service lights the way, sparking hope, bringing healing, and transforming lives. May the year ahead be one of courage, renewal, and steadfast love as we step into 2026.

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