

# NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday March 21, 2024

## St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

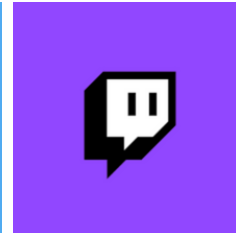


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## St. Andrew's United Church

### Worship This Week - Sunday, March 24th

Thank you to Rev. Kate Young for leading us in worship this week! We hope you can join us for our Sunday service as we celebrate Palm Sunday!

Theme: Palm Sunday

The Gospel Reading: Mark 11:1-11

The New Testament Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Sermon: 'The Crowd'



## Scripture Summary

Therefore God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## Humour Corner

Once there was a little boy named Johnny who was three years old. When it was Palm Sunday, he couldn't wait to go to church to find out what Palm Sunday was. But sadly, Johnny came down with the chickenpox. His parents hired a baby-sitter to take care of Johnny while they went to church.

When they came home holding palm leaves, Johnny asked, "What are the palm tree leaves for mommie?"

She replied, "When Jesus walked through the town, people waved palm leaves at him in respect."

Johnny looked upset and said, "Wouldn't ya know? The first day I'm not in church, he shows up!"

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## Membership Announcements

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# 🍀 St. Patrick's Day Community Dinner 🍀



## Community Dinner

Thank you to Joanne and her group of volunteers for the wonderful St. Patrick's Day Community Dinner last Friday! Everyone enjoyed watching the Irish dancers!

A special thank you to Marie and Colleen for the delicious homemade biscuits and to Valerie for the great decorating job! The stew, coleslaw, biscuits and the Pistachio cake for dessert was a wonderful St. Patrick's Day feast!

## BROADVIEW MAGAZINE RENEWALS:

Broadview magazine renewals are now due with deadline of April 30 For the first time in 7 years Broadview is increasing it's subscription rate. As a group we have paid a \$25.00 flat rate for the year including tax. This year the flat rate will be \$30.00 for the year. This is still a savings of up to 28% off the regular price. This is a very informative magazine covering a broad range of topics for example: **Choir Power: How singing is a force for social change; Ending Child Poverty - Canada has the solutions does it have the will? Embracing Resurrection in Everyday Life**

Ginny Morecroft and Colleen Armstrong will be taking new subscriptions and renewal orders.

**Methods of Payment:** cash, cheque made out to St. Andrew's UC or by Etransfer to: [standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsgeorgetown89@gmail.com)

**REMINDER:**

**The Pastoral Care team**

meets regularly and follows shut-ins, those experiencing health issues and losses.

Please make the office or a member of the team aware if you know of someone who requires a pastoral care visit.

Team members:

Colleen Armstrong, Marlene Beitz, Leslie Moore, Greg Howard, Margo Baird, Joan Lovegrove, Gail Bancroft, Joanne Wardle, Ross Leckie, Rev. Kate Young



**Looking for Volunteers for  
Coffee Time and Scripture Reading**



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

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## St. Andrew's Announcements

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ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

### Holy Week Services



**Palm Sunday**

Sunday, March 24th at 10:00 am

**Maundy Thursday**

Thursday, March 28th at 7:30 pm

**Good Friday**

Friday, March 29th at 10:00 am

**Easter Sunday**

Sunday, March 31st at 10:00 am



# PALM SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

**Sunday, March 24th**

If you are able, please bring food donations to our collection boxes at the church.

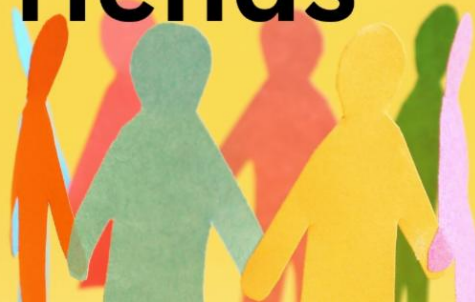
Some of the most needed items: broths, cooking sauces, dry soup mixes and 'cup-a-soup', flakes of turkey and chicken, jam, mayonnaise, pudding cups, sugar, tomato paste

[Please click here for the full list of food items needed](#)

## Circle of Friends

**2nd, 4th, 5th Friday of the Month**

Join us for our next meeting  
Friday, March 22nd at 9:30 am  
in the Fellowship room



## 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.



## Weekly Bible Study

**10am every Thursday**

**Book of Matthew. Invite your friends.  
Add to your spiritual journey.**





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 annual fundraising Hike for Hospice has been taking place in Milton and Acton. This year U4H is organizing a hike in Georgetown. All three hikes will be held on Saturday, May 4 starting at 10 AM. There will be two routes (2 and 5 km) in Georgetown South. There is a team site for walkers from our four churches. U4H hopes all four congregations will respond generously with their time and talents to assist with running the Georgetown hike. Please contact Karen Marks (Hillcrest), Helga Kennedy (Norval), Jean Leckie (St. Andrew's) or Sue Sibley (St. John's) if you can help us.

[Please click here to register and join our team or to sponsor one of our team members](#)

### **Furniture Available!**

We have some furniture that people may be interested in. Either to be donated or to sell for a small fee. We have one three seater couch, two two seater couches, four end tables, one dining room table c/w six chairs, one upholstered chair, one ottoman, one recliner, some bookcases, etc. Please contact Phil and Judy McClure @ 289-981-9098 or crazeefil1955@hotmail.com.

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## **Community Announcements**

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### **2024 Easter Basket Brigade!!!!**

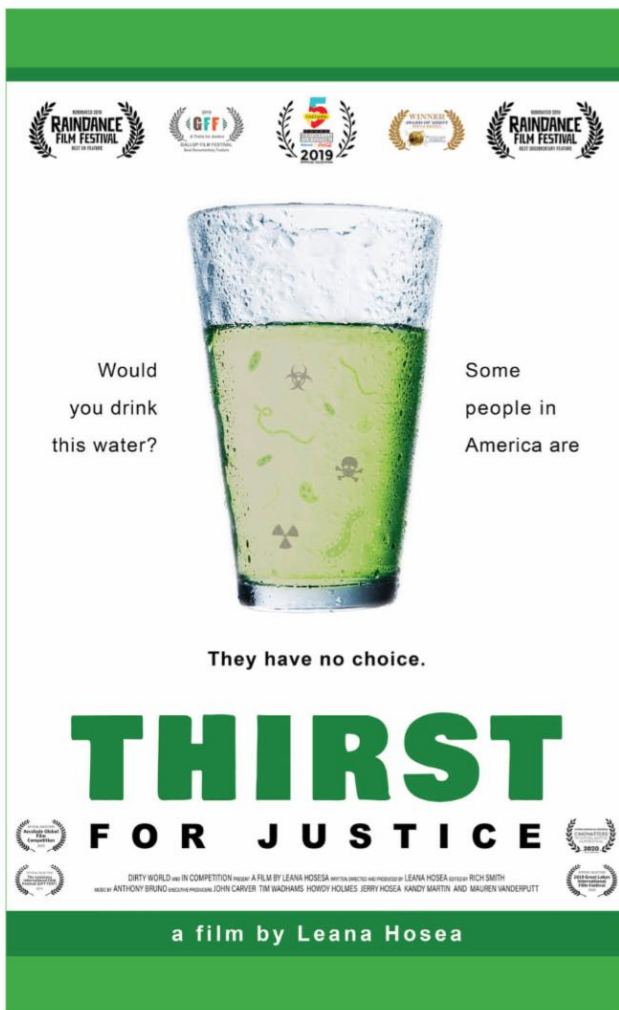
Over 800 - \$33,000 in Grocery Gift Cards Collected!

Almost 200 Families Delivered to...

Over 425 smiling recipients that know that we care...

Thanks to our Volunteers, Church Congregations, Friends/Corporate sponsors, Jim DiNatale @Tim Hortons and all of our Community Unity Halton Hills Team! Looking forward to a great year ahead as every day is an opportunity to make a difference in our world! Smile at some one, share your kindness and "Love thy Neighbour"





**Thursday, March 21**

Ticket pick up and table displays – 6:30 p.m.

Film start time – 7:00 p.m.

**Climate  
Solutions**



Co-Sponsored by



**Guest Speaker:**  
**Will Postma, Executive  
Director of PWRDF**

This film follows Janene Yazzie as she searches for the source of contamination in her son's school's water in Sanders, Arizona.

She suspects drinking uranium- contaminated water from the 1979 Church Rock dam spill caused her ovarian cancer. Armed with a geiger counter she begins investigating radioactive waste on the Navajo Nation and finds areas hotter than evacuation zones in Chernobyl.

*John Elliott Theatre,  
9 Church St, Georgetown*

**Adult Admission:  
\$10.00**

Purchase tickets at the  
John Elliott Theatre Box Office  
or online at:  
[www.haltonhills.ca/theatre](http://www.haltonhills.ca/theatre)





NORVAL UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS

## An Italian Dinner

**Saturday, April 6th, 2024 at 6:00pm**  
**14015 Danby Rd. Georgetown**

Adults: \$15.00

Children (Age 6-12): \$5.00

5 & under: Free

For tickets or more details, please  
contact Bruce at 905-873-0729



## Community Meals Calendar and Food Resources

Georgetown and Acton  
2024

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



**United Church Mission & Service Fund**

## Preserving Culture Through Language Revitalization

Nine Elders represent about half of fluent Haida speakers today.

Credit: The United Church of Canada



Take a moment to think about your favourite story.

Now imagine that story being at risk of disappearing because the language it's written in is endangered. This is something that nine Elders from Haida Gwaii, British Columbia, are passionately trying to change.

Once there were over 15,000 fluent speakers of Haida, but today, because of assimilation tactics like residential schools, almost all Haida people speak English at home. The nine Elders—with an average age of more than 80—represent about half of the fluent Haida speakers who remain.

With partner support, the work of these Elders in a research-based revitalization project keeps the Haida language alive and growing.

The Elders teach students the words, phrases, songs and stories of their ancestors. The response has been empowering, with language learners near and far dedicating themselves to study. Lessons are given through the Longhouse of Skidegate village, but the program reaches much further, with more than 120 online lessons available. The opportunity to connect across the globe has allowed Haida language, stories, and culture to be shared broadly. The program also gives young people from the Haida Nation the opportunity to connect with the Elders to nurture their cultural pride and understanding. “I appreciate the work the Elders are doing with our language and culture,” said one young student. “They work very hard every day so that my generation can remember.”

The Haida language is not the only Indigenous language that has been endangered. Your gifts to Mission and Service support programs and partnerships for Indigenous cultural revitalization around the world.

# WAYS TO GIVE

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



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**CANADA HELPS**



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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

*Sent with love* 

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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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