

St. Andrew's United Church

News from the Pews



Advent 2022

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TO GENERATION...
We tell this story

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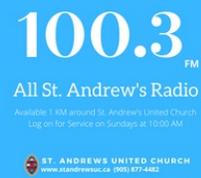
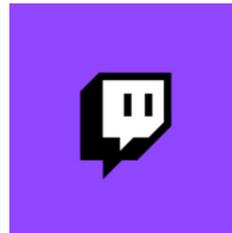
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NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday December 1, 2022

We stream our worship services Sundays at 10 am
on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitter, Twitch & 100.3 FM
Click on the icons below to connect!



This Week's Theme: Advent 2 Advent Peace

This week we continue our journey through the season of Advent. Last week we lit the candle of Hope to remind us of the Hope that comes in Christ in this holy season. This week we will light the second purple candle to remind us of the peace that faith in Jesus brings. The season of advent is a time of waiting and watching for the baby Jesus to be born in a manger. Jesus is known as the prince of peace.

In our world today we can certainly benefit from more peace. When we place our hope in Jesus, we will have peace. When we have peace in our hearts, we can share that peace with those around us.

In worship this Sunday we will explore ways that we can share peace with others and have more peace within ourselves.

In our scriptures, we hear the story of John the Baptist in Matthew 3. John is

the messenger who prepares the way for Jesus to come into the world.

This Sunday is also our Cram a cruiser Sunday. We are inviting people to bring nonperishable foods to church and place them in the gym. Donated food will be delivered to the foodbank after the serviced. Let's do our part to support families in need as we share our generosity with those who need it.

We also have an Advent Devotional booklet now available for anyone who wishes to follow along with our theme, it has daily bible readings, a devotional writing and a prayer. They are located in the foyer.

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 11:10, Matthew 3: 1-12

Meditation: Seeking Peace in the World!

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CHURCH

TOWN HALL MEETING

Saturday Dec 10th, 2022
9 am - 1 pm



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The Long-Range Vision Team in inviting you to a community Town hall Meeting on Saturday December 10th 9 AM to 1 PM at St. Andrew's. This will be an opportunity to share ideas, vision and have conversation with others as we create our future together as a congregation. We encourage as many people as possible to attend. If you are interested in being part of this day, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer or speak to our Co-Chairs Mark Wyatt or Kimberly Floyd. There is a link to register online fore this event. <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/st-andrews-united-church-town-hall-tickets-465968683877>

CRAM A CRUISER!

Sunday December 4th - at 10 AM



You are invited to come and donate non-perishable food items for the Georgetown Food Basket

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In addition to coffee, tea and juice we will be serving **hot chocolate** at fellowship. Come out and get in the Christmas Spirit.



We Welcomed 7 New Members on Anniversary Sunday!!!

Back row L-R: Margaret Storey, LeeAnne Clarke, Diane Bergamin,
Front row L-R: Joyce Clarke, Marguerite Webster, Joyce Williamson Pierre Paradis



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Come out and sing your favourite Christmas Carols!

Presentations by 5 local United Church choirs!

Community CAROL SING

SUNDAY, DEC 18TH

FREE ENTRY/ FREE WILL DONATION TO CHARTIY
2 PM
REFRESHMENTS TO BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE CAROLLING



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NEW SANCTUARY KEYS!

Our sanctuary has new keys! If you require a key to the sanctuary please contact the office for one.



CHRISTMAS CARDS!

Our St. Andrew's United Church community mailbox is out and available for everyone to leave their Christmas cards. It can be found in the lobby.

Youth CONFIRMATION

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, grandchild is interested please speak to Rev. Grant



NEEDED - MEN'S SMALL AND MEDIUM WINTER JACKETS

We are looking for Men's small and medium jackets for the clothing room. If you have any to spare and donate please drop them off at the office and we'll make sure they get to a family in need.



Can you help? We are looking for an laptop which can access wifi and has an hdmi port if anyone has one to donate to the Sunday School program. Please contact the office if you do.



A person from Brampton is looking at possibly joining our choir but requires a ride from Brampton at about 6 pm on Thursdays. Susan will ensure she is able to return home. If there is anyone that could offer a ride please let the office or [Susan](#) know!



The Georgetown Bread Basket needs our ongoing help. In the foyer we have a "Food Tree" and a bin to place any non perishable donations into. We are hoping to have the **first Sunday** of each month be food **Sunday**. Your generous donations are greatly appreciated. Our new Outreach volunteer who will look after collecting and taking the donations to the

Breadbasket is Claire Smith. Thanks Claire!!!

The Georgetown Bread Basket is specifically in need of the following food items...

- Crackers – Saltines/Triscuit
- Packaged Cookies for kids
- Individual Puddings
- Healthy Juice Boxes (fruit ideally not drink boxes)
- Cans of Soup or Pasta (with pull tab lids so you don't need a can opener)

- Instant Potato Mix



We need you to help fill up the Sunday schedule for January and February. If you are not comfortable making coffee help is needed with set up and take down of tables and chairs, kitchen set up, clean up or providing cookies. There will always be someone to assist from the membership team if this is your first time making coffee. Please see Ginny Morecoft or

Colleen Armstrong to sign up.



This is a great magazine with a broad range of topics!

The following are coming up in Jan/Feb. edition.

Keeping Faith on Death Row

Ramiro Gonzales faces execution in Texas. Since 2014, a United Church minister has been his spiritual compass.

What's in a Name?

Some people think Negro Creek Road in Grey County, Ont., should be renamed. For others, it shines a light on the rural area's Black history.

Born a Week Apart

In my 60s, I discovered the half-brother I never knew I had — and began to unravel the complicated story of our births

It's Gift Subscription season!

Group Subscribers are eligible for very special gift subscription rates. Please see our Special Gift Cover Wrap located on the December and January/February issues. The first gift is just \$25*, all subsequent gifts are only \$20*! (*before tax) – up to 64% off the subscription price!

A gift subscription to Broadview will make a meaningful and conversation-creating gift for everyone on their Christmas list: daughters and sons, aunts and uncles, friends and caregivers. A subscription to Broadview is the gift that will inspire all year long!

Look for the gift subscription card from their December or January/February issues or use this link: broadview.org/giftsubs or call 1-866-807-5515 and use

the code GIFTS22G for the special rate.



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Sat Dec 10, 2022

ST. ANDREWS UNITED CHURCH
MEN'S
Breakfast
CLUB

at 9 AM at the legion.
All are invited to join us! Email the office to join!



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In November and December we will have a mailbox available for people to contribute gift cards to people in need. Cards for Grocery stores, Chapters, iTunes, Sportchek, Best Buy etc. would be appreciated.

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 11, 2022



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Mitten Tree Gifts

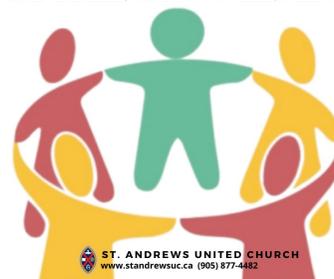
DECEMBER 11TH AT 10 AM

We are hoping to collect up any handmade or purchased mittens, gloves, hats and scarves. Items will be placed on the Christmas Tree in Worship. The donated items will be given to families in need in our community through the Salvation Army family services.



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

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS



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



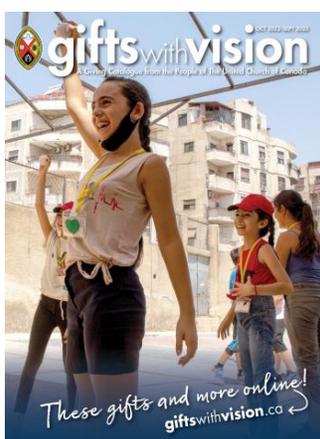
Our weekly bible study is held on thursdays at 10 am in person at the church. Everyone is welcome!



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



United Church Mission & Service Fund



A meaningful gift is a simple click away.

Is there someone on your Christmas list who is hard to buy for or doesn't need yet another gadget or figurine? Do you long to sidestep the consumerist trappings of the season for something more meaningful?

The United Church's giving catalogue—is the answer!

Gifts with Vision is full of gifts that will help transform people's lives throughout Canada and across the world. While Gifts with Vision continues to feature gifts for Ukraine and COVID-19, we have been busy adding

new gifts to support people across the world who are experiencing the effects of climate change, economic instability, and war. Particularly children.

There are several new gifts for children in this year's catalogue. We have added a new category, too: anti-racism. Projects in Nunavut, Guatemala, and Palestine—just to name a few—support the rights, culture, and dignity of people who experience racism daily. In addition, several gifts that have been very popular in the past, like Operation Backpack, Help Build a Well, and A Safe Place to Heal, are returning in this year's catalogue. And that's only the beginning!

Mindful of the environment, the print catalogue continues to be small—but there are a lot more gift choices on the [Gifts with Vision](https://www.giftswithvision.ca) website. Stories of our partners' projects are also available there.

Every Gift with Vision provides support for a specific Mission & Service partner offering a unique project. Without Mission & Service, Gifts with Vision projects would not be possible. Thank you for supporting both. When Christmas rolls around, remember that a meaningful gift is a simple click away. If madly dashing around the mall on Christmas Eve is your gift-buying style, kick back and relax. Gifts with Vision has you covered!

*Grant's
World*



Advent is here!!! Last Sunday we had an amazing day of worship and celebration. The church was full. We had 7 new members join our community of faith. Some transferred their membership from other churches and others made a profession of faith. It was so good to feel the energy in the church for the start of the Advent

season and our anniversary Sunday.

There was a lot going on Sunday and I want to say thanks to all those who made this day such a celebration. The choir and Sue did an excellent job singing "Angels making their rounds". Colleen and the coffee crew provided us with delicious cake and refreshments. To Mark Wyatt and the Tech crew for installing our new AV system that worked very well and much smoother than the old system. To Jean and the Sunday school leaders who cared for our young children. To Valerie and Margret for doing a wonderful job decorating the church. And I also want to mention Rick from giving a generous donation to purchase three new toilets. Well, it wasn't exactly advent related but certainly necessary because who wants to clean up another flood during the Christmas season! Overall, this season is starting off well and we all owe a huge thanks for those who continue to support our church.

This next week will be the beginning of the Out of the Cold program located at Knox church. On Monday, December 5th will be the first night its offered, then on Wednesday, the St. Andrew's volunteers will be volunteering their time to help support those in need. the St. Andrew's crew is hoping to offer this program every other Wednesday night. Iof you would like to volunteer for the set-up crew, the overnight crew or the breakfast crew please let Ross Leckie or myself know.

God calls us to care for one another and offer support to those in need. Let us share in God's abundance as we follow Jesus.

Blessings,
Grant

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Supporting Milton District Hospital

Saturday, December 3, 2022

10AM – 3PM

St Clair Masonic Hall

6321 Regional Rd 25, Milton



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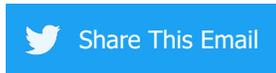
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Halton as we know it today is rich in history and modern traditions of many First Nations and the Métis. From the Anishinabe to the Attawandaron, the Haudenosaunee, and the Métis - these lands surrounding the Great Lakes are steeped in Indigenous history. 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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