

NEWS FROM THE PEWS...

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

Thursday, October 1, 2026

St. Andrew's United Church News from the Pews

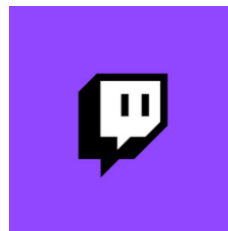


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We stream our worship services Sundays at 10 am on Facebook Live, YouTube, Twitch & 100.3 FM Click on the icons below to connect!



St. Andrew's United Church

Worship this Sunday, October 4th 10:00 AM at St. Andrew's UC



We look forward to welcoming members of Hillcrest and St. John's for a combined worship service to celebrate World Communion Sunday together! Let's fill the sanctuary for a joyful worship experience with friends. All are invited to stay after to mix and mingle and get re-acquainted after the summer. We hope you can join us, as we worship as one.

Thank you to our volunteers and everyone participating in the service!

Front Door Greeter: Florence Riehl

Greeters:

Diane Bergamin
Cheryl Broughton
Don Burt

Scripture Reader: Alan Grundy

Communion Servers:

Lorne & Susan Campbell
Jean Brown
June Longstreet
Carol Dalbec
Heinmen Donker

Offering Counters: Pat Moore and Ross Yahiro

Coffee Time:

Marie and Bill McMaster
Nancy Heinmiller
Lee-Anne Clarke
Joan Lovegrove
Judy Shea
Carolyn Burns

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

Orange Shirt Day



Apologies for the technical difficulties last Sunday! Please take the time to watch this year's reflection from the Moderator.

In this message, Moderator Heath honours the children who never came home, recognizes the courage and resilience of survivors, and acknowledges the ongoing impacts of residential schools and intergenerational trauma. She also reaffirms the church's commitment to walking the path of truth, justice, healing, and reconciliation with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples.

As we wear orange, may we remember, learn, and work together toward renewed relationships and lasting reconciliation.



Humour Corner

Why did the leaf go to the doctor?
Because it was feeling a little green.

Membership Announcements

In Memoriam - Norene Scott

We send our condolences to Bryan, Stephanie and their family with the passing of Bryan's Mother.

Our thoughts and prayers are with them,
and with all her family and friends.



Confirmation Classes

Anyone who would like to seek confirmation is encouraged to speak with Kate if you have not already done so. A class will begin soon.



PURSE FUNDRAISER EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS

On Saturday, September 26th our gym was transformed into a Purse & Accessories Boutique. All proceeds from the fundraiser will be donated to Bennett Village to help with the build of a new, long-term care facility on Halton Hills Drive in Georgetown.

Thank you so very much to all who donated toward the sale and/or came out to buy a treasure or two. Hundreds of purses and countless pieces of jewellery found new homes.

We are thrilled to report that we raised \$5,000 and are very thankful for the community support.

Kind regards,
Jo-Anne O'Quinn-Kallio

Prayers of the People

We continue to keep those in our church family who are dealing with health concerns, whether at home or in hospital, in our prayers. We hope to see you back with us soon.

Pastoral Care

If you would like a visit or know of someone who is in the hospital, please let Kate or the office know!

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



St. Andrew's Thanksgiving Food Drive

If you are able, please bring food donations to our collection boxes at the church! Donations can be brought in now until Sunday, October 11th.
Thank you for your support!

Most Needed Items:

- Pasta
- Cranberry Sauce
- Turkey Gravy
- Broth
- Juice Boxes
- Tomato Paste
- Baby Wipes
- Baby food Pouches

Needed Items:

- Fruit cups
- Apple sauce cups
- Pancake mix
- Pudding cups
- Snack bars
- Granola bars
- Syrup





Our Daily Bread Booklets

The October/November/December
issue is now available!

Please find them on the table across from the
office. Donations to the Daily Bread would be
greatly appreciated.



Weekly Bible Study

***Every Thursday at 10:00am
in the Fellowship Room***

The Gospel of Mark (Life Guide)
Join us as we explore His story together through
discussion and personal reflection.

New members are always welcome!

Save the Date:
Saturday, November 14th

St. Andrew's Christmas Craft Show

***Vendors • Silent Auction • Bake Sale
Raffle • Café • Visit with Santa***

**Vendor applications now
being accepted!**

[Please click here for the vendor application form](#)



**St. Andrew's Christmas Craft Sale
Saturday, November 14th**

Accepting Personal & Business Donations

**We are looking for donations for our Silent Auction
and Raffle! Donations can include:**

- New or Handmade items
- Gift certificates or experiences
- Gifts of time, such as handyman services, babysitting, lawn care, etc.

**We would also love to receive donations
from local businesses!**

The best way to get a business donation is to ask! If you have a favorite business you support, please consider asking them to donate an item, service, or gift certificate.

Drop-Off Information

Donations can be dropped off anytime between now and November 8th. Donation forms and a collection table are located at the end of the hallway outside the office.

Every donation, big or small, helps make this fundraising event a success! Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

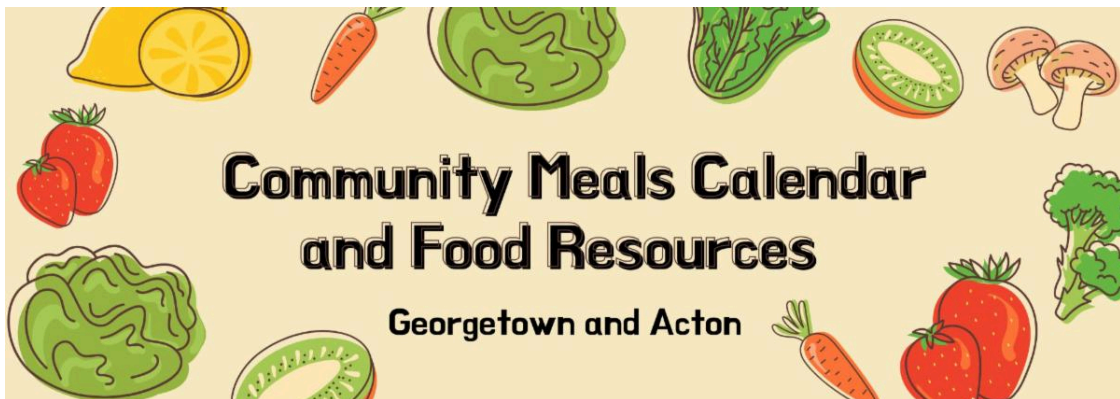
Choir Announcement: Christmas Season



Interested in singing with the choir for the upcoming Christmas season? We would love to have you join us!

Whether you are an experienced singer or just love to make a joyful noise, please contact Sue or the office to get involved.

Community Announcements



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



AN AFTERNOON OF MUSIC

PIANO AND VIOLIN

JOHANN DERECHO
PIANO

ELIANNA VAN RAALTE-BOERINGA
VIOLIN

WORKS OF YSAÏE, BACH, LISZT, CHOPIN,
BEETHOVEN, SHCHEDRIN AND SCHUMANN

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 3, 2026

4:30 PM

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH
123 MAIN STREET EAST
MILTON, ON

FREE ADMISSION
CASH DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE VENUE.



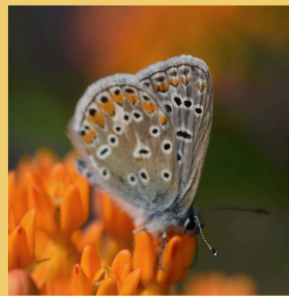
Candlelight vigil

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH
6:30 PM | HILLCREST UNITED CHURCH

Join us to honour those who have gone before us and to express support for access to residential hospice palliative care in North Halton.

Free to join & everyone is welcome.





Norval United Church

14015 Danby Rd., Georgetown, ON

POLLINATOR GARDEN TOUR, SPEAKERS, & EXHIBITS

DATE

18 OCT

START

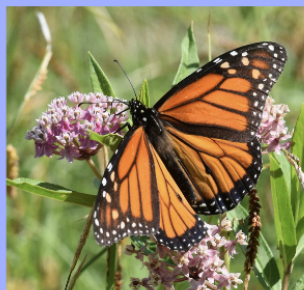
11:00AM

END

1:00PM

**All are welcome at the 10-11 am
church service before this event.
Refreshments will be served.**

email bugsrock@hotmail.com for more details



Photos by Trudy Watson-Leung



Presents



LIVERPOOL SESSIONS

HAPPY TOGETHER!

The Sixties Songs of Summer

The Best Music of the 60's

The Beach Boys, The Monkees, The Turtles, The Beatles, Simon & Garfunkle,
Sonny & Cher, The Four Seasons, and More!!

Saturday, October 17th, 7:30pm

Doors open at 6:45pm



St. John's
United Church
of Georgetown and Glen Williams

Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds

The Sanctuary Concert Hall at St. John's United Church
11 Guelph Street, Georgetown, ON L7G 3Z1

Tickets available at: TSCH.ca

This event is a co-fundraiser for St. John's
and for TownsendSmith Foundation



Get Tickets



United Church Mission & Service Fund

Breakfast Club

Credit: The United Church of Canada



At Plymouth-Trinity United Church, the weekly breakfast program helps families and community members feel welcome and connected before worship.

At Plymouth-Trinity United Church in Sherbrooke, QC, a Sunday morning breakfast is helping families connect with their church community, and creating opportunities for the congregation to build new partnerships in the neighbourhood.

“Breakfast Club” started in January 2025 after Pastor Samuel Vauvert Dansokho and members of the congregation started thinking about how they could better support families who were often arriving late for worship. For families with several young children, getting everyone ready and out the door on a Sunday morning can be quite difficult. Rather than seeing that as a problem, the congregation decided to try something different by inviting everyone to come early for a free breakfast.

The first Breakfast Club welcomed more than 25 people, about half of them children. Attendance has since steadied at 10-15 people each Sunday.

The program is intentional and straightforward. Breakfast might include cereal, toast, oatmeal, fruit, and baked goods. Sometimes even hot dogs! But beyond nourishment for the body, the program has also become an opportunity for people to spend time together and nourish their souls in community.

Our gifts through Mission and Service help the initiative sustain and grow, alongside significant contributions from the congregation and local partners. Community members have donated baked goods, fruit, and money, while a local international grocery store provides day-old bread. Any extras are sent home with community members.

There are plans to consider opening the program more widely to the surrounding neighbourhood as capacity allows.

For Shanna Bernier, who helped plan the initiative, the success of Breakfast Club is already clear. Families are being fed, food is being diverted from waste, a local business has become a partner, and people are spending time together at church.

“Generosity has been abundant, not only in the form of a grant but in baked goods and fruit prepared by community members, in financial donations, and in fundraising through a Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper. Pastor Samuel made a connection with a local international grocery store, securing an ongoing

donation of “day-old” breads, which can be eaten at a Toast Bar. When there have been larger donations, loaves of bread are frozen and shared throughout the community.”

Our gifts to Mission and Service help congregations respond to the needs they see in their own communities. At Plymouth-Trinity United Church, that support has helped turn a practical idea into an ongoing ministry that brings families, volunteers, local businesses, and the wider community together. Let’s give generously.

WAYS TO GIVE

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



CASH & CHEQUE



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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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