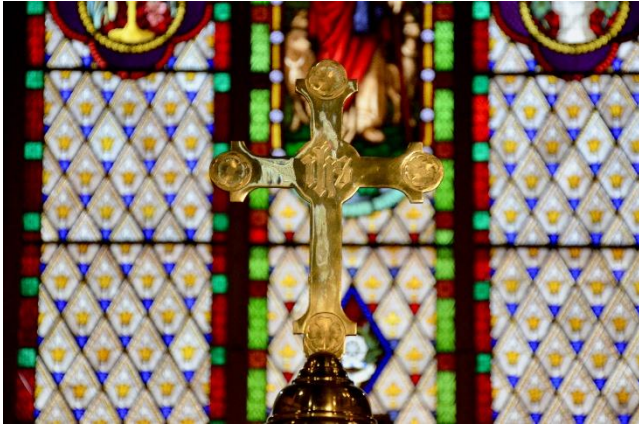




## Eblast for August 13, 2025

**Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship!**



Altar Cross, Christ Church Anglican, Meaford

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Sunday, August 17, 2025**

**Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM**

**Presided by: The Rev. Brendon Bedford, Rector**

**The readings are:** Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18; Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Luke 12:49-56.

**If unable to attend in person, please join us by livestream on our website <https://christchurchanglican.ca/podcasts/worship-services> no sooner than 10:30AM on the day of the service.**

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **We welcome back from vacation our Rector, the Rev. Brendon Bedford to preside this Sunday. I'm sure there will be stories to be told.**

2. **Please note the Midweek Said Prayer Service resumes today, beginning at 12:00noon in the chapel. All are welcome.**



3. **The Free Community Breakfast is paused for the month of August, resuming September 8<sup>th</sup>.** Thank you, Breakfast Team, for all your efforts throughout the year – enjoy a summer break!



4. Be sure to attend our **Waterfront Service & Potluck with Blessing of the Backpacks**– this year, it will be Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, taking place at the Meaford Harbour Rotary Pavilion at 10:30AM followed by a delicious potluck. (Please bring a lawn chair and suitable clothing for a cooler day.)

The list of items, to be donated to the **GBCS Backpack program for Secondary Students** is available at the back of the church and on a following page. **Items especially requested this year are reuseable water thermoses.**

You may donate a backpack filled with items, or simply some supplies to fill the backpacks – all things are appreciated. As you would expect, all supplies should be new, not used.



5. Do you have some time to host After-church Fellowship/Refreshment Time? Thankfully, we have volunteers to fill this ministry for all of September except Sept 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have some time that Sunday, or into October, please call the office or email at [office@christchurchanglican.ca](mailto:office@christchurchanglican.ca).

## 6 PASTORAL CARE:

For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at [brendonbedford@diohuron.org](mailto:brendonbedford@diohuron.org) or 226-974-5060.

For all other questions, concerns or other ministries, please call the office at 519-538-1330 or [office@christchurchanglican.ca](mailto:office@christchurchanglican.ca).

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## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come out for a fun time at the Summer BBQ Party, at Beautiful Joe Park – the Second Annual! In support of the Ontario Personal Support Workers' Association. All proceeds benefit the Journey Centre of Grey.

August 23, 2025

1:00PM to 5:00PM

# Help Christ Church fill backpacks for high school students at GBCS!

## RECOMMENDED ITEMS

- **1 Backpack (to fit a teenager)**
- **1 Pencil Case**
- **10 Pencils**
- **10 Pens (black or blue)**
- **1 Eraser**
- **2 Highlighters**
- **1 Pack Pencil Crayons**
- **2 Three-Ring Binders**
- **1 Package of Lined Notebook Paper (three hole punched)**
- **1 Spiral Notebook**
- **1 Pack Post-It Notes**
- **1 Ruler**
- **1 Reusable Water Bottle**
- **1 Calculator**

### **You might also consider including:**

- **1 Lunch Bag with Ice Pack**

All supplies must be new, not used.

For more information, contact the Church Office:  
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## What's Blooming at Christ Church? August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025



*Spiraea japonica* 'Lemon Princess', commonly known as Lemon Princess Spirea, is a compact, mounding shrub growing in the labyrinth. With the recent heat wave the specimens here have finished blooming. Although it produces delicate pink flowers in clusters in late spring, it is grown for its vibrant chartreuse-yellow foliage. The leaves maintain their colour throughout the

growing season, which makes it a good choice for its inclusion in the planting at Christ Church. Lemon Princess *Spiraea* typically grows 2-3 feet tall and wide. The name "Spiraea" refers to a genus of about 80 to 100 species of shrubs in the family Rosaceae (The Rose Family.)

This low-maintenance shrub is known for its adaptability, heat tolerance, and deer resistance. It thrives in full sun or partial shade and is adaptable to most soil conditions. This shrub is relatively low-maintenance. It can be pruned to maintain a desired shape and to encourage new growth after flowering. Shearing off the blooms after flowering or pruning the shrub to reduce by about 1/3 can also encourage a second set of bloom later in the summer. This shrub is excellent for borders, foundation plantings, or as a low hedge.

Submitted by John Howard

