



Eblast for August 27, 2025

**Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship
At the Meaford Harbour Rotary Pavilion!**



Meaford Harbour, photo by Francis Richardson

**Twelfth Sunday after
Pentecost & The Blessing
of the Backpacks**

**Sunday, August 31, 2025
Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM**

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

The readings are: Jeremiah 2:4-13;
Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14:1, 7-14.

Unfortunately, we are not able to livestream from the Harbour, so please join us if you are able. See below for more details.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **The Midweek Said Prayer Service occurs today, August 27th, and every Wednesday, beginning at 12:00noon in the chapel. All are welcome.**

2. **Please join us for the Blessing of the Backpacks service (a Holy Eucharist) this Sunday, August 31st at the Meaford Harbour Pavilion. Plan to stay afterwards for the potluck. Anything you can bring is appreciated to share with others. Please come prepared for the weather (may be cool) so a sweater or blanket along with your own plate, cutlery, lawn chair, and potluck contribution is suggested. We look forward to seeing you there!**

3. **The Free Community Breakfast is paused Monday, September 1, resuming September 8th.**

4. **The Christ Church chapter of the BAC (Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen) will be preparing and serving breakfast at the Meaford & St Vincent Agricultural Society Fall Fair in the Meaford Curling Club on Saturday, August 30th from 8:30am to 10:30am. Please support the BAC in their fundraising efforts. (See poster following).**



5. **2026 Church Calendars** If you would like to order an Anglican church calendar for 2026, please advise Chris, in the office, of the quantity you would like. They are \$8 each. For a preview of the calendar, view it at <https://www.anglican.ca/2026-anglican-canadian-church-calendar-preview/>.

6. **Church Photo Submission** There is a request for photos to fill the 2027 Anglican Church calendar – to be submitted by November 30, 2025. If you have a photo of Christ Church, Meaford (interior or exterior) that you think would be suitable for the calendar, please let us know. (There are criteria for the winning selection -- photos of church exteriors and interiors are especially popular, while people-focused images are included less often.) Permission would be required in any people-recognizable photos. For more details, [go here](#).

7. **Evensong service at St James Fairmont on Aug 31st at 4 pm, followed by a potluck. Everyone welcome.**

8. **A funeral service for David Wilton will be conducted on Friday, August 29, 2025 here, at Christ Church Anglican, Meaford at 2:30pm. David was the son of Simy Wilton and the late Robert Wilton. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers. The obituary is [here](#).**

9. **PASTORAL CARE:** For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at 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.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Scarecrow Invasion is September 5th to October 26th. Watch for events coming soon.

The British Home Children: Canada's Forgotten Legacy. Saturday, September 20 | 10:30 AM

📍 Friends of the Meaford Library Room. Please register in advance.

Join Lori Oschefski, founder of Home Children Canada, for an insightful presentation on the history of the British Home Children (BHC) migration programs.



What's Blooming at Christ Church August 27th, 2025

Veronica 'Pink Speedwell' is a low-maintenance and easy-to-grow perennial with long spikes of tiny pink florets. It also comes in shades of purple, blue, or white. Maintaining the soil moisture and removing the dead spikes (dead heading) will encourage this perennial to bloom from late spring to fall.

Speedwell thrive in full sun and moist, well drained soils. The flowers attract butterflies. Speedwell are available in a variety of growth habits from a prostrate variety that grows 10 inches tall to the Veronica spicata, which grows to 36 inches. Veronica, once they

are established, are drought-tolerant, which makes it a good choice for inclusion in Christ's Labyrinth at Christ Church, Meaford.

- Contributed by John Howard

Today's Chuckle

From Buckinghamshire – Roy Castle shares the following story.

To commemorate the Feast of St. Francis the children brought their pets to church. Hamsters, Gerbils, Rabbits, etc. There was even a Parrot parading the pulpit. As the vicar settled everyone ready for prayer a pony was ridden rather noisily up the marble aisle. Stopping nose to nose with the vicar, the young equestrian fought to turn the pony around. The manoeuvre was finally accomplished as we reached the part when we say: "We have left undone those things which we ought to have done". Then as we reached the words "And we HAVE done those things which we ought NOT to have done", the pony DID.

A BLESSING What did the priest say to his ancient car? May you rust in peace.

Christian Crackers (2) – compiled by Phil Mason.

Community Breakfast
at the
**Meaford & St. Vincent
Agricultural Society Fall Fair**



Served in the Curling Rink Lounge
Saturday August 30th



8:30 – 10:30 am.

Come join us for breakfast at the Fair!

Eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, toast, coffee, tea and juice



**Prepared by Christ Church Anglican, Meaford
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