

Eblast for September 24, 2025

Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025 Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presided by: The Rev. Brendon Bedford,

Rector

The readings are: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31.

This day is recognized every year in the Anglican Church of Canada as The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. You are invited to wear an orange shirt on

this day, in recognition that "every child matters".

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FORECASTED POWER OUTAGE FOR SUNDAY HAS BEEN CANCELLED, AND OUR SERVICE WILL GO ON AS PLANNED (with power).

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

 The Midweek Said BCP Eucharist is offered today and every Wednesday, beginning at 12:00noon in the chapel. All are welcome.



2. The first session of a new, ongoing Bible Study, starting with the Letter of James, begins next Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 1pm, following the Midweek Eucharist. If you plan to come to both, consider bringing a lunch and a Bible (if you have one) with you – there will be time to grab a bite between the service and the Bible session. No registration or cost to this is required.

If you would like a Study Bible, <u>here is a link to purchase one</u>, but not necessary. There will be bibles available to use at the study session.

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3. **Bishop's Friends' North Dinner -** hosted **Saturday, October 4**th, **2025 by St. George's BM and Christ Church, Meaford at 6:00pm, and <u>held at St. George's, Parish of the Blue Mountains</u>, the Bishop's Friends' North Dinner** has tickets available now online at <u>www.parishofthebluemountains.ca</u> or by phone at 519-599-3047.



The dinner is prime rib, potatoes, veggies, yorkshire puddiing, rich gravy. There are also gluten-free/vegan options – sure to be equally tasty.

Tickets are \$55 each (with a \$30 tax receipt being issued). Only a limited number of tickets are available. There is entertainment and a silent auction planned as well. This event is to support the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

Tickets are going fast. Please see poster following.

4. **October is "Toonie Tree" month and is coming up soon.** Start saving your toonies so that Christ Church will maintain our reputation for generosity and compassion as we help to "end global hunger". The "Toonie Tree" will be at the back of the church in early October.

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5. The Chancel Guild is looking for pairs to team up to fill this important ministry for our church. If you can spend a couple hours on a schedule, please contact the office or speak to Jean Richardson.

- 6. **Coffee & Fellowship Time** Thank you to all those who contributed cookies, loaves, cake and snacks these past weeks. We have been blessed with some wonderful treats. If you would like to help our church keep this up, please sign up on the NEW Coffee Time schedule on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall, or contact Chris in the office at 519-538-1330.
- 7. We hope you will participate in our COUNTRY KITCHEN & CRAFT SALE, which will be Saturday, October 25th from 10am to 1pm. Items suggested are: pies, bread, GF baking, bake table, crafts, etc. Please spread the word! Posters are available at the back of the church.

NEW THIS YEAR, a light lunch will be available for a freewill offering, in support of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (working together to end global hunger).

8. 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.

CC Outreach: Free Community Breakfasts Mondays 8:30 to 10am; Exercise Classes Tues & Thurs. 9:30-10:30am; Wedge Group Wednesdays 8pm- 9:30pm; NA group Thursdays 7PM to 9PM; Bridge group Fridays 1:00 – 3:30pm; Little Free Pantry (LFP)

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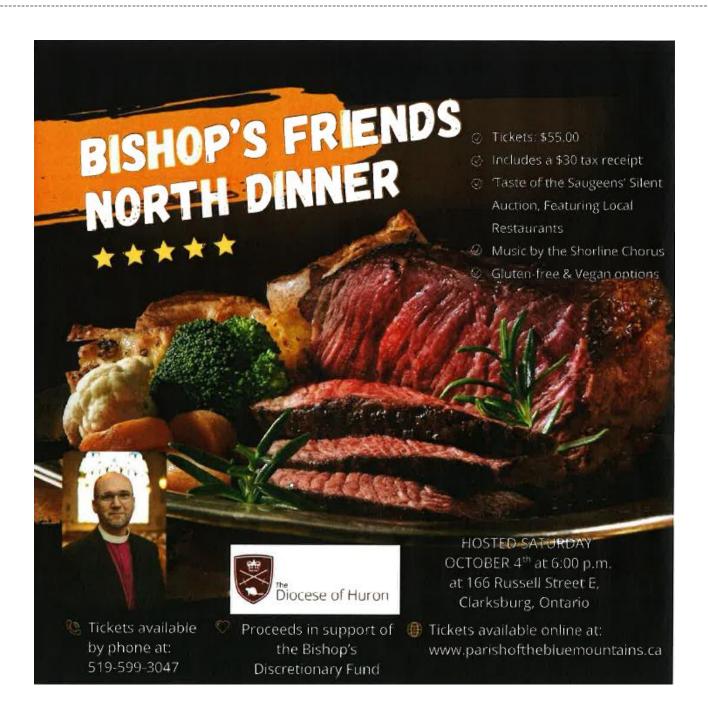
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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Council on Aging Grey Bruce presents Strategies for Seniors to Age Well by Angela Yenssen, staff lawyer, Grey-Bruce Community Legal Clinic and member of the Council of Aging Grey-Bruce, Thursday, September 25th at Meaford Library from 1pm to 3pm. Info, dshcolter@eastlink.ca or 519-793-3473. Sponsored by the Retired Teachers of Ontario.



A part of the Scarecrow Festival is the **Apple Pie Contest**, organized by the Scarecrow Festival. It takes place here, at Christ Church, and is **Friday**, **October 3**, **2025**. Pies for entry to the contest can be brought to the church on October 3rd between 11am and 1pm.





What's Blooming at Christ Church, Sept. 24Th, 2025?

One does not always have to depend on flowers to add colour to the garden. There are many plants, shrubs or trees grown for their foliage, stem or fruit colour.

Hakeonechloa macra 'All Gold' – Hakone Grass or Japanese Forest Grass, is an example of such a use in Christ's Labyrinth.

Hakeonechloa macra is a shadeloving perennial grass that is native both to moist mountain areas including wet rocky cliffs and to moist woodland areas in central

Japan, including areas around Mt. Hakone from which both its genus name and common name are derived. This ornamental grass is said to "glow in the shade." Often plants with yellow foliage are slower growing, due to the reduced chlorophyll in the leaf cells. It tends to be more chartreuse when grown in heavier shade, and brighter gold in full sun. This grass does, like many grasses, spread by rhizomes, but is considered a slow grower and will not rapidly invade adjacent plants.

Hakeonechloa is grown mainly for its beautiful foliage, though it does produce seed heads. Tiny, inconspicuous reddish brown flower spiklets appear in delicate clusters from late summer thru early fall. It prefers soil with a high humus content to retain the moisture level and benefits from an application of mulch to over-winter. Foliage should be trimmed to the ground in late winter or early spring before the new shoots emerge from the soil. This grass is tolerant of urban growing conditions including air pollution. Propagation is easiest by division.

The Genus name comes from the Japanese place named Hakone and the Greek word *chloa* meaning a grass. The species name 'macra' means large, although it is one of the shorter growing ornamental grasses, with a maximum height of 18 inches.