



Eblast for October 1, 2025

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

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



Sunday, October 5, 2025

Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

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

The readings are: Lamentations 1:1-6; Lamentations 3:19-26 As Canticle; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10.

We regret: due to a Hydro One, planned power outage, there will be no livestream this Sunday.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



2. **TODAY, Wednesday, October 1, 2025, the first session of a new, ongoing Bible Study, starting with the Letter of James, begins at 1pm, following the Midweek Eucharist.**

If you plan to come to both, consider bringing a lunch and a Bible with you (if you have one)– 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, [here is a link to purchase one](#), but not necessary. There will be bibles available to use at the study session.

3. **Bishop's Friends' North Dinner – Tickets are going fast – only a few left.** Hosted Saturday, October 4th, 2025 by St. George's BM and Christ Church, Meaford at 6:00pm, and **held at St. George's, Parish of the Blue Mountains**, the Bishop's Friends' North Dinner has only a few tickets remaining. Purchase online at www.parishofthebluemountains.ca or by phone at 519-599-3047.



The dinner is prime rib, potatoes, veggies, yorkshire pudding, 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). There is entertainment and a silent auction planned as well. This event is to support the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

Tickets are going fast– only two more days. Please see poster following.

4. **October is “Toonie Tree” month.** A toonie tree has been placed in the back of the church by the Bighead River Foodgrains Project to collect funds during the month of October for Canadian Foodgrains Bank. With the cutback in humanitarian aid by the US and others, your donation will bring hope and food to some of the thousands who will be impacted by this move.

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 per month on a schedule, please contact the office or speak to Jean Richardson.**

6. **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).

Please bring in your items for the sale and put them downstairs in the lounge, if you're able, or simply leave them on the pews at the back of the church. Our poster follows.

7. A piece in the Huron Church News ([Diocese of Huron](#)) about the glass from our parish that was brought to England, on behalf of Christ Church, during Fr. Brendon's trip this past summer follows. We are proud of this connection afforded us by Fr. Brendon. For more info, [here is the link](#)



8. A Message from the Chair of the Bighead River Foodgrains Project Re “Toonie” Month

Here are some highlights from the message:

October is a busy month for us at the Bighead River Foodgrains Project as we recognize World Food Day on Oct. 16.

On Sunday, Oct. 19 at 2:00 p.m., the Bighead River Foodgrains Project is hosting a World Food Day concert at Knox Presbyterian Church in Meaford featuring singer Susan Dietrich accompanied by Don Buchanan on the keyboard, and guest dancer, Tracy McNally. (See posters on bulletin boards.)

A soup and bun lunch by donation will be available in the hall of Christ Church Anglican, Meaford on Thursday Oct. 25 from 11:30 - 1:30 in conjunction with their Country Kitchen and Craft sale. All proceeds to Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

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.

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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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pipe Organ & Sacred Music Concert, in recognition of the Casavant Freres pipe organ in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Walkerton being awarded, Pipe Organ of the Year 2025. Friday, October 10, 2025 at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 221 Victoria St. S., Walkerton. Admission by free will offering in support of Saugeen Hospice. Info: organtastic25@hotmail.com. Posters are on bulletin boards.



What's Blooming at Christ Church, October 1st, 2025

Northern Sea Oats-*Chasmanthium latifolium* is located at the entrance to the labyrinth. It is also known as River or Wild Oats. We don't often think of grasses as flowering plants, but this perennial ornamental grass has both interesting flat foliage and unique seed heads. The plant's common name refers to the hanging spikes that resemble the seed heads of oats. This decorative grass can be grown in both sun or shade.

Northern Sea Oats, like most ornamental grasses grows in clumps, with long leaves that are pointed at the end, resembling the leaves of the Bamboo plant. The leaves are a light green when grown in full sun, but a dark green when grown in more shaded locations. However, the real attraction is the flower's seed head, which is wide and flat, with a texture that resembles oat heads. The flowers are dangling panicles and the foliage turns a bronze colour in the fall. The seed heads formed over the summer and will persist for 3 seasons, although here in Meaford the grass tends to get flattened by snow accumulations over the winter. The seed heads start out as a light green colour and transition as they ripen to a tan

colour. Northern Sea Oats are usually planted in groups or in a mass as the motion of the leaves that occurs from breezes is said to “enliven the landscape” in which they are planted. One drawback that has been discovered from its inclusion in the labyrinth at Christ Church, is that it can invade other areas from its seed, or crowd out adjacent plants through its spread by rhizomes (underground stems). Many gardeners will cut the seed heads off to prevent the spreading and use them indoors for dried floral arrangements. The foliage is sheared back in late winter or early spring to allow for the new growth later in the spring. This grass can tolerate very dry conditions or moist soil that is well drained. The generic name, Chasmanthium is derived from the Greek words chasma meaning ‘wide opening’ and anthos meaning ‘flower’.

Country Kitchen & Craft Sale

Saturday October 25, 2025.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Christ Church Anglican

34 Boucher St. East (off Sykes St.)

Meaford, Ontario.

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Soups, Bread, Bake Table, GF Baking, Chili,
Chili Sauce, Pickles, Crafts, and more.

No admission charge

Family friendly



On the same day, join us downstairs
for a lunch in support of the
Canadian Foodgrains Bank.



Free will offering

A partner organization of the Anglican Church of Canada.

