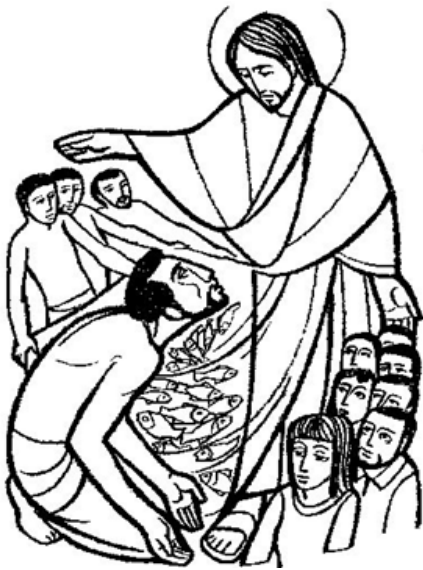




CHRIST CHURCH
ANGLICAN
MEAFORD

Eblast for August 12, 2026

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



**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
– August 16, 2026**

Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presider: The Rev. Brendon Bedford

The readings are: Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28.

If unable to join us in person, you may join our
livestream which begins at 10:30am Sunday
morning – from our website,

www.christchurchanglican.ca and click on “service video”.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

 1. The Midweek Prayer service continues today, this Wednesday, August 12, at 12:00noon.

2. Bible Study will resume today, Wednesday, August 12 at 1pm. This will be the final one (until further notice).

 3. PLEASE NOTE AN UPDATE TO THE TIME - Choir practice for the August 15th Anniversary service of the War Memorial windows is this Thursday, August 13, at 2:00pm at Meaford United Church – doors open at 1:30pm. Looking forward to seeing you.

4. Choir Practice (for Sunday, August 16th service) is today, Wed. at 2pm.

5. THE DATE HAS ARRIVED THIS WEEK! SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH. The 80th Anniversary of the Dedication of the WWII Memorial Windows, & more. See poster following.



6. **MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC!** Don't we love it! Be sure to plan to join Ashton Dunk and David Hamilton **FOR A HYMN SING** on Friday, September 18th at Kincardine United Church – 7pm – 8pm. Free will offering to the Grey Bruce RCCO Visiting Clinician Fund.

MORE MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

ALSO, SAVE THE DATE: BELL TOWER FUNDRAISER - Sunday, September 20th, - see poster following.

Appreciation

7 If any parishioners would like to offer a gift of thanks to Fr. Brendon and his family for their ministry with us, a gift to Christ Church's new *Bishop Appleyard Memorial Legacy Fund* would be deeply appreciated by him and Ashley. Their hope is that this new fund will help to support the vibrant ministry and community here at Christ Church into the future, while honouring Bishop Harold Appleyard's ministry and memory.

You may give to this fund in any way you prefer:

- by cheque, (with Bishop Appleyard Memorial Fund in the subject line & made out to Christ Church Anglican.
- by e-transfer made out to christchurchmeaford@diohuron.org (there is no password required) however, please reference the Bp Appleyard Trust Fund in the “message” box.
- from our website, to “Support Christ Church”. You may [click here](#).
- or by card – come to the office to use our P.O.S. system (debit or credit)
- Tax receipts will be issued.

Cheques may be mailed or placed on the offering plate -- please ensure “Bp Appleyard Memorial Trust fund” is referenced in the subject line. This should also be placed in the “message” box with an e-transfer. Thank you, so much, for your consideration and generosity to Christ Church at this time.

8. **Keeping our Sunday School Going** - We have found a way to continue to welcome and offer a program for children who attend Christ Church on Sundays. There will be ready to use plans and materials available on the Sunday School shelves for use on short notice.

As we require two adults to deliver the program, we are seeking people that are interested in helping with this important ministry. Please speak to Chris at the office or Janet Carvalho if you require more information or are interested.



9. On behalf of Bishop Townshend, his Commissary, Archdeacon Stephen McClatchie, appoints the Venerable Judy Walton as the interim priest-in-charge of Christ Church

Meaford, effective, 1 September 2026.

10. **Coffee Time Request for Hosts** - If you have a Sunday you would be willing to bring a few cookies or snacks to complement our lemonade and iced tea, please let Chris know or sign up on the “Coffee Time” sheet in the parish hall. Thanks for helping out with this ministry.

11. Our Farewell Potluck Party for Fr. Brendon and his family was a lot of fun, great food & fellowship, and a beautiful location provided us (thanks to the Alcock's). Please see photos on following pages.



12. Our Backpack program is on again this year-- the list of items requested by GBCS follows. Please help a local secondary student have what they need for the school year. Backpacks will be blessed at our service on September 6th.

13. PASTORAL CARE: For urgent care, from August 12-16, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at brendonbedford@diohuron.org or 226-974-5060. From August 17 on, please contact the Rev. Canon Dr. Grayhame Bowcott at grayhamebowcott@diohuron.org or 519-374-4066.

For all other concerns, questions, or ministries, please contact the office office@christchurchanglican.ca or 519-538-1330.

Office hours are: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9:00am to 2:00pm.

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Farewell Potluck for the Bedford's – August 9, 2026. More photos follow.

What's Blooming at Christ Church August 12th , 2026



English Lavender, Hidcote Blue lavender (*Lavandula angustifolia* 'Hidcote') has been in bloom for a couple of weeks along the east side of the labyrinth. Despite the heat and dry weather, it thrives as an excellent plant choice in well-drained soil and full sun. Few plants have survived through human history as Lavender. For more than two thousand years it has scented bathwater, dressed wounds, sweetened linen, calmed nerves and those who were grieving. It perfumed the work of Monks, washerwomen and modern perfumers. Lavender has been common in herb gardens for centuries. Despite its common name, it is not native to England, and came primarily from the Mediterranean region. It was named "English Lavender" because of its ability to grow well in the moist English climate. Lavender is commercially planted for harvesting its oils for use in perfumes. English Lavender varieties are more often used for culinary purposes than other types of Lavenders. It is considered to be a semi-woody

perennial that grows 18 to 30 inches tall, although specimens of up to 36 inches may be found. The narrow grey-green, needle-like leaves are borne on square stems. Deep blue to purple flowers appear in terminal spikes in late spring to early summer and will persist into late August-early September. Both the flowers and leaves are highly aromatic. The

leaves are evergreen in areas with warm winter climates. Once established Lavender requires minimal watering. Regular pruning, especially after the flowers have lost their colour is critical in maintaining a compact shape and healthy growth. Over watering can result in root rot diseases, which will eventually kill the plant. The Lavender in the Christ Church Labyrinth benefits from the protective snow cover it receives most winters. Lavender is particularly effective in a mass planting and forms a low hedge in the labyrinth. Hidcote Blue is a compact mounded form growing to 20 inches. The genus name comes from the Latin word "lavo" meaning wash which is in reference to the plant's common use as a wash.

Plants of the Bible; The seven species, Wheat, Barley, Grape, Pomegranate, Olive and Date are seven agricultural products, two grains and five fruits that are listed in the Hebrew Bible as being special products of the land of Israel. The seven species have played an important role in the food of the Israelites in the Land of Israel and the religious traditions of Judaism. Many references to these foods can be found in the Bible. Their first fruits were the only acceptable offerings in the temple;

"For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land of flowing streams and pools of water, with springs that gush forth in the valleys and the hills. It is the land of wheat, and barley, of grapevines, fig trees, pomegranates, olives and honey." Wheat fields, vineyards and olive groves are still a prominent feature of the landscape of Israel today. Figs, Olives Pomegranate, and Dates are common ingredients in the cuisine of Israel.

- submitted by John Howard,

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.

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Recital:

Cello, Organ, Piano & Voice

With Ashton Dunk and Chadd Yaniv

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 4:30-5:45PM

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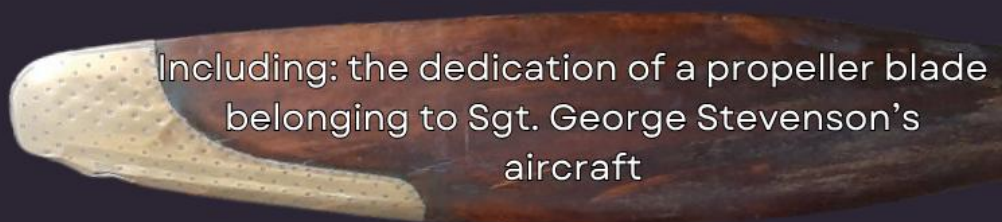
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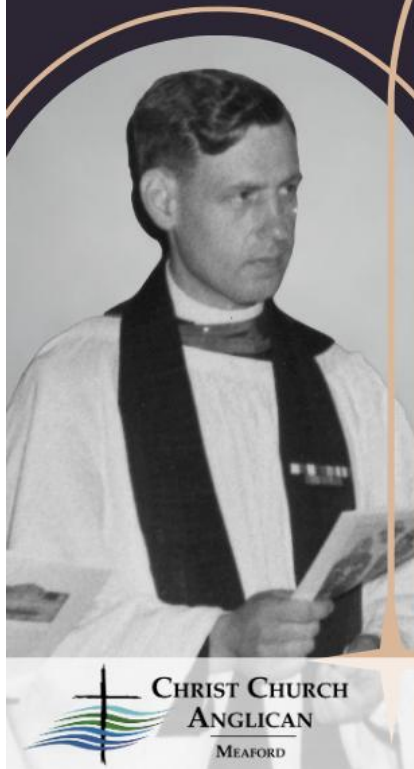
Service of Rededication

Marking the 80th Anniversary of the Dedication of
Christ Church, Meaford's WWII Memorial Windows



Including: the dedication of a propeller blade
belonging to Sgt. George Stevenson's
aircraft

Maj. the Rev.
Harold Appleyard



Sgt.
George Stevenson



SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
2:00 PM





Churchwardens, Gail Latour and Garry Minielly (Bill Alcock made the announcement) presented a farewell gift to Fr. Brendon at our Farewell Pool Party on August 9, 2026. It was the perfect weather for a perfect afternoon.

Fr. Brendon, Ashley, Lillian and Roy Bedford received a plaque (in appreciation from the parish,) comprised of a piece of glass that was replaced with one of our stained glass WWII Memorial windows, as a remembrance of their time here at Christ Church.

