CHRIST CHURCH ANGLICAN
MEAFORD

Eblast for November 4, 2026

Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



Meaford Ministerial Remembrance Sunday (Ecumenical) – November 8, 2026 - 10:00am

@ Meaford & St. Vincent Community Centre
THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE AT CHRIST CHURCH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **TODAY the Midweek (said) BCP service is at 12:00noon in the chapel – all welcome.**

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2. **<u>Our regular bible reading session/study today, November 4th is paused</u>. Watch for details of upcoming sessions, possibly to include an Advent study.**



3. **As mentioned above, the Ministerial Remembrance Day Service will be held on Sunday, November 8th. It will be at 10:00 a.m. at the Meaford & St. Vincent Community Centre -- all are welcome. Come along and join in fellowship with our neighbouring churches.**
<u>There will be no service here at Christ Church on Sunday, November 8th</u>.



4, **Choir Practice is PAUSED THIS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH – resuming November 12th at 2:30pm.**

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5. **There is a wardens' committee meeting on Wednesday, November 11 at 9am.**

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6. **NEXT WEEK, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, the MIDWEEK BCP (said) SERVICE IS PAUSED. Instead, consider attending a service offered by the Meaford branch of the Legion to take place at the cenotaph (in front of Meaford Hall) at 11:00am.**

The Selection Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 11 at 2:30pm.

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7. **The Bell Tower Fundraising committee will meet on Thursday, November 12 at 1:00pm.**

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8. **Choir** meets on Thursday, **November 12 at 2:30pm**.

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9. The **next Repair Cafe is Saturday, November 14**, offering fixes and repairs to your small items from 9:00am to 12noon. Join the volunteers for a cup of coffee!

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10. The **Longterm Care communion service** at Meaford Longterm Care is offered on **Tuesday, November 17th** at **10:15am** (rescheduled from a week earlier).

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11. **The Parish Council meets on Tuesday, November 17th at 2:30pm.**

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12. A **"Quiet Saturday Afternoon"** is offered here at Christ Church for any who wish to come out and join Canon Kevin on **Saturday, November 28th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm**.

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13. "**Thank you" goes out to those who provided the beautiful gourds (Victoria), apples (Gail) and others bringing in their harvest decor. Thanks to all for making our church beautiful at Thanksgiving time!**

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14. **The Free Community Breakfast continues with a hearty breakfast Mondays, (unless a stat holiday) from 8:30 to 10am.**

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15. **Please notice there are new blue hymn books in the pews**. We are singing increasingly more hymns from Sing a New Creation (SANC) and several have arrived so that most of the congregation should be able to have one at their seat. If you do not, please ask the greeter for one. There is also a BAC (Book of Alternative Services – green book) in each pew. Extra books are being stored in the chapel.
When a hymn is being sung from SANC, an "S" will appear on the hymn board and in the bulletin in front of that hymn number.

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16. **Our Free Litte Pantry (FLP) is need of juice boxes and/or tetrapak containers of juice (preferably reduced or no sugar). If you are able to provide some, we would be grateful.**

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17. **Coffee Hour Ministry - Do you have a Sunday to provide a plate of cookies or a snack for the after-church fellowship time? Please speak to Chris or to one of the wardens. You can also sign up on the sheet at the side of the buffet in the Parish Hall. Sundays from Nov. 22 to December 29th. Thanks.**

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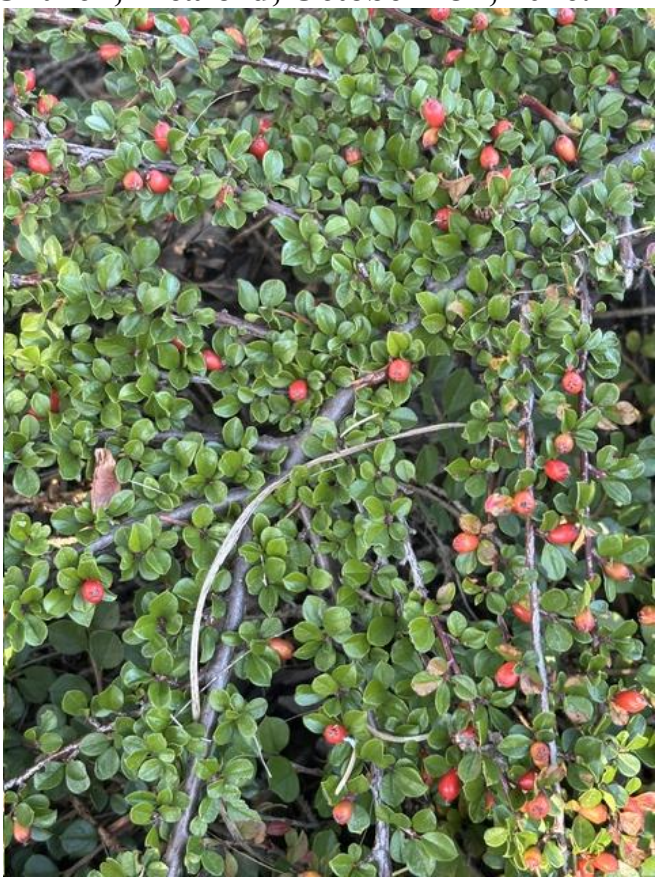
18. PASTORAL CARE: For urgent care, please contact the Ven. Canon Judy Walton at revjudy@rogers.com or 705-444-0233 or 705-607-0870 (cell).
For all other concerns, questions, or ministries, please contact the office office@christchurchanglican.ca or 519-538-1330.

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

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What's Blooming at Christ Church, Meaford, October 28th, 2026.



Cotoneaster horizontalis 'Rockspray'- Rockspray Cotoneaster, less commonly known as Wall Cotoneaster, - is a broad-leafed, shrub growing at the base of the Norway Spruce at the entrance to Christ's Labyrinth, at Christ Church Anglican, Meaford. It is, as the species name suggests, a horizontally spreading shrub, which offers four season interest in a garden. It produces tiny pale pink flowers in late spring, shiny green leaves in summer and attractive reddish-orange to burgundy foliage and berries in the autumn. Its arching stiff branches provide the plant with a bristly look. This shrub is an excellent, non-aggressive ground cover. Once established the dense foliage shade the soil and prevent weed growth. The branches may root at points where they are in contact with the soil and further its spreading habit. Although the shrub grows best in full sun, it does well in partial shade. It prefers a well drained soil as it will struggle growing in overly moist or constantly damp soils. It actually thrives in low humidity. Because of its trailing growth it may be used as a ground cover or over walls and stonework. The berries are considered toxic to humans and animals, although not to birds, which have been know to feed on them and distribute their seeds. The concentrations of toxin are so low, that a person or pet would typically need to ingest a large quantity of chewed berries to experience discomfort or serious harm. The flesh of the tiny berries is not toxic and neither is the seed if swallowed whole. For that reason its low risk makes it a good choice for inclusion in the Labyrinth. Although not considered an invasive species here, it is in the United Kingdom as the seeds tend germinate more prolifically in that climate.

Plants of the Bible – There are over 150 different plants mentioned in the Bible.
"And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred them into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.
So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O thou man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat thereof. II Kings 4:39-40"

Eruca sativa- Common names-Arugula, Garden Rocket, Salad Rocket, Colewort or Eruca, is an edible annual plant in the Brassicaceae (mustard) family. It was formerly grown for its oil bearing seeds or as a substitute for pepper. It is native to countries in the Mediterranean area and Asia. Its wide availability with its sharp flavour, described as slightly bitter and peppery, make it widely popular as a leaf vegetable included in salads. It was collected as a pot herb or for wild salad.
Citrullus colocynthis is most commonly known as the **colocynth** or **bitter apple, Bitter cucumber, Desert Gourd, Vine of Sodom or Wild Gourd.** The Wild Gourd's fruit is considered deadly poisonous, but can be used in small portions for stomach pains. Both of these plants grow in the Jordan Valley. Submitted by John Howard, NPD



Rainbow Over Christ Church, Oct 29 2026

Submitted by Francis Richardson