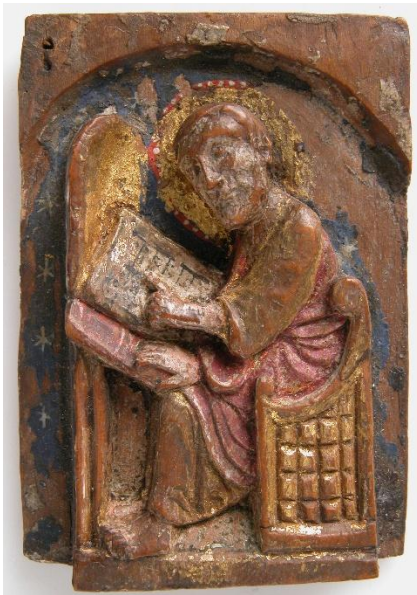




Eblast for September 17, 2025

Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, Sept. 21, 2025

Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

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

The readings are: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13.

**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

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



COFFEE BREAK

2. Come and join us for the After-church Coffee & Fellowship Time this Sunday, September 21st when the Alzheimer Society of Grey-Bruce will host coffee, tea, and treats— an event called the Alzheimer's Coffee Break. There will be a display set up and your questions regarding Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers may be answered. We hope that, as usual, our congregation & friends will be generous in giving to this organization, which collected funds do stay in our local area of Grey-Bruce.



3. The first session of a new, ongoing Bible Study, starting with the Letter of James, begins 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, [here is a link to purchase one](#), but not necessary. There will be bibles available to use at the study session.

4. Bishop's Friends' North Dinner

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 tickets available now online at www.parishofthebluemountains.ca or by phone at 519-599-3047. Tickets are \$55 each and a limited number of tickets are available. There is a silent auction planned as well. This event is to support the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. **Please see poster following.**

5. We offer our **prayers to Bonnie Ouellette and family** and for the repose of the soul for Bob Ouellette. The obituary is [here](#). Please put Bonnie, Bob and family in your prayers.



6. Each year, in Canada, we mark the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We will mark that day on Sunday, September 28th in our regular worship service time at 10:30am. You are invited to wear an orange shirt, in recognition that "every child matters".

7 **Exercise Classes started up again and are continuing on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:30am.** If interested, please speak to Barb Horne or call the office 519-538-1330.

8. 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). We also invite those with extra mason jars to bring them into the church.

9. **What's Blooming at Christ Church on September 17th?** Please see following page.

10 **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

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.



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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.

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, Meaford, September 17th, 2025?

Hydrangea paniculata Quick Fire, or Quick Fire Hydrangea is grown as a standard (small single-stemmed tree) in the southeast corner of the labyrinth. Like most Hydrangea it tolerates full sun to partial shade. Although this specimen is trained to a stake as a small single trunk tree, to fit its location in the labyrinth, growers suggest it is best grown as a large, multi-stemmed shrub. It displays best in a shrub form if regularly pruned to height between 6 to 10 feet tall. This is one of the most winter hardy of the Hydrangeas of which there are approximately 75 species. It does well in urban conditions.

Hydrangea paniculata are commonly called panicle hydrangea and are vigorous, upright and rapid-growing shrubs. They are native to China and Japan, and can grow 8-15 feet tall if not

pruned regularly.

The dark green leaves are more or less oval to ovate and the 6-8 inch flower clusters or panicles form at the tips of the branches and bloom from mid-summer into the fall. The cone shaped flower clusters appear first as green and then transition to white before turning to pink in the fall.

Not all Hydrangeas are pruned the same. Paniculata varieties bloom on the current year's growth and so need to be pruned as needed in the late winter to early spring. Other varieties of Hydrangea such as the macrophylla, or large leafed varieties, bloom on the previous years growth, so therefore should not be pruned too late in the season to avoid pruning off the next season flower buds. Larger flower panicles can be obtained by thinning the number of primary shoots to 5-10 branches. When in full bloom, the weight of the flower panicles, especially after a rain shower, can cause the branches to arch downward.

The genus name Hydrangea comes from the Greek, hydor meaning water as in the root of many English words including hydro and aggeion meaning vessel, which is in reference to the cup-like seed bearing fruit. Paniculata refers to the arrangement of the flowers in panicles, which are branched clusters of flowers, where the flowers are arranged on branches off a main stem in a loose, elongated shape.

The specimen at Christ Church is grown as an accent plant, but this variety is also effective if grown in groupings in a mixed shrub border or as a flowering hedge.

- Submitted by John Howard



BISHOP'S FRIENDS NORTH DINNER

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- 🕒 Tickets: \$55.00
- 🕒 Includes a \$30 tax receipt
- 🕒 Taste of the Saugeens' Silent Auction, Featuring Local Restaurants
- 🎵 Music by the Shoreline Chorus
- 🌱 Gluten-free & Vegan options



The
Diocese of Huron

HOSTED SATURDAY
OCTOBER 4th at 6:00 p.m.
at 166 Russell Street E,
Clarksburg, Ontario

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