



Eblast for June 17, 2026

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



National Indigenous Day of Prayer

June 21, 2026

Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

**Presided by: The Rev. Brendon
Bedford; Homilist: The Rev.
Canon Kevin Bothwell.**

The readings are: Isaiah 40:25-31;

Psalms 19; Philippians 4:4-9; John 1:1-18.

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. Please join us for the Midweek Eucharist (said, BCP) which begins at 12:00noon today, and every Wednesday.



2. On Wednesdays, our Bible Study continues with the Book of Genesis. The study begins at 1:00pm. All are welcome.



3. Choir practice is this Thursday, June 18th at 2:30PM. See you then.

4. There is a parish council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 23rd at 7pm.

5. A meeting of the lower level renovation group is Thursday, June 25th at 1pm.



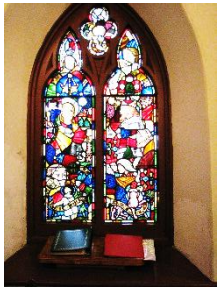
6. On Saturday, July 4th at 2pm, the parish is invited to a **Blessing of Marriage for Ashton and Richard**. If you would like to be present at this service, please see a warden or Chris to sign up so the marriage couple have some idea of numbers.



7. In recognition of Pride Month, Christ Church, which acknowledges the diversity and inclusivity of all people, raised the Pride flag for the month of June. For details on what's going on in Meaford, see <https://www.meaford.ca/en/news/meaford-celebrates-pride-month-and-supports-inclusion.aspx>.



8. **News from General Synod**
If you don't get the e-news sent by the Anglican Church or the Anglican Journal sent to your home, here is the e-news <https://mailchi.mp/national/update-for-june-11-4188482?e=85d7150b79>. If you would like a copy of the Anglican Journal sent to you, please contact Chris in the office 519-538-1330 or office@christchurchanglican.ca.



9. **SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026**
Christ Church is celebrating the **80th Anniversary of the Dedication of the WWII Memorial Windows** on **Saturday, August 15, 2026**. A full description and story of Rev. Appleyard's discovery and remarkable achievement is on our website -- [take a look here](#). Besides the rededication of the windows, we will also honour and pay tribute to WWII Fighter Pilot George (Geordie) Stevenson, the first Meaford resident to lose his life in that war (in 1941) and who was a Christ Church parishioner. In honour of his life lost, we are dedicating one of the propellers from his aircraft, that was retrieved in Scotland and has been gifted to us. **For more, please read about this on the poster at the back of the church.**



10. After-church Fellowship Time

During the summer months, we set up the tent in the backyard and invite all to enjoy a cool lemonade or iced tea. We do ask if you plan to stay that you may provide your own chair, if you're able.

Thanks, so much, to those who have contributed to this ministry.



11. The Free Community Breakfast – PLEASE NOTE there will be a breakfast this Monday, June 22nd as usual; however, the last breakfast before the summer break is Monday, June 29th. We thank our “breakfast crew” for their steadfastness in operating this crucial outreach for Christ Church. Enjoy your summer break! We look forward to your return in September – details to follow.

12. **PASTORAL CARE:** For urgent care, please contact the Rev. Brendon Bedford at brendonbedford@diohuron.org or 226-974-5060.

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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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scarecrow Invasion Decorating. Come enjoy a relaxed, social workshop to build a scarecrow and give it your own creative flair! **The theme this year is peace, love, and happiness!** Think happy faces, hearts, the peace sign, flower power etc.

Workshop Details:

Morning Workshop Dates: June 9, 11, 16, 18 **Morning Times:** Starts at **9 a.m.** and will be packing up by **noon**

Evening Workshop Dates: August 11, 18 **Evening Workshop Times:** 5:30pm - 8:00pm

Location for all Workshops: Harbour Pavilion

Questions? Reach out to scarecrow.invasion.decorating@gmail.com.

Video of Fr. Brendon giving Church tour to artist group who are holding **Art in the Dews** on **Thursday, August 13th** here at Christ Church. This event will be open to the public, held here at Christ Church but is not a Christ Church sponsored event. Please note the video is rather extensive, including questions from the group.
<https://vimeo.com/1197201279/1152ae7360?fl=pl&fe=sh>.

What's Blooming at Christ Church, June 17th, 2026

Geranium sanguineum-Bloody Crane's-bill, or Bloody Geranium is a hardy species of perennial geraniums. Quite different from the Common Garden Geranium – Pelargonium hortorum which is planted as an annual bedding plant in gardens and planters, but is not hardy to withstand our cold Canadian winters. Bloody Crane's-bill is very hardy, although it tends to die back during the heat of summer. Flowering of the magenta-purple forms above leaves which become crimson towards the end of summer. It is ideally suited for its place in the Labyrinth as it can handle the heat of summers, as well as the cold winters in its exposed location.

It is native to Europe and parts of Asia, growing in open woodlands, on sand dunes or grasslands, so that it can withstand full sun to partial shade.

The name Geranium comes from the Greek word “geranos” which means crane, which is regarding the shape of the fruit/seed capsule that forms and resembles the beak of a Crane. Sanguinum is from the Latin and means blood red.

Geranium sanguineum grows to a height of between 8–20 inches (20 to 50 cm) high and it can sprawl up to 3 feet (90 cm). It takes 2 or 3 years to reach its full size.

Bloody Cranesbill is an attractive perennial for pollinators as its nectar attracts butterflies, hummingbirds and other pollinators. It is resistant to predators such as deer or rabbits. It also does not appear to attract many insect or disease pests. Bloody Cranesbill is not considered an invasive plant, however it has seeded itself in other areas of the Labyrinth, and escaped plants needing to remove it to keep it in the areas in which it was planted according to the original design.

Plants of the Bible; “We remember the fish we ate at Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic: but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at.

Numbers 11:5-6

The garlic growing in the community garden at Christ Church is thriving despite the construction fencing that is encroaching into the bed in which it was planted last fall.