



CHRIST CHURCH
ANGLICAN
MEAFORD

Eblast for August 26, 2026

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



**Fourteenth Sunday after
Pentecost – August 30, 2026
Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM**

Presider: The Ven. Canon Judy Walton

The readings are: Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28.

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. Our thanks to Archdeacon Judy for presiding at our service this Sunday. Please note that the Venerable Judy Walton has been appointed by the Diocese of Huron as the interim priest-in-charge of Christ Church Meaford, effective, 1 September 2026.



2. Midweek Prayer (said) service will continue at 12:00noon today, Wednesday, August 26th with John Howard leading.

Bible Study will also resume today, Wednesday, August 26 at 1pm. The discussion will explore Genesis 18 (Abraham Hosts the Lord) and Genesis 19 (Sodom Destroyed; Lot Saved). Everyone welcome.

If you intend to join us for both the Midweek Prayer and Bible Study, consider bringing a light lunch as time will be allowed to have a snack in between.



3. **NOTICE:** Choir Practice is PAUSED for this week, Thurs., Aug. 27th. It will resume on Thursday, September 3 at 2:30pm.

4. **The Wardens meeting is Tuesday, September 1 at 4:00pm.**
Parish Council meeting is Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 7pm.



5 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 held here at Christ Church.**



6. **We are running low on supplies -- non-perishable food items, snacks, cereals, hygiene items for the Little Free Pantry (LFP).** If you are able to bring an item, please leave it at the back of the church as you enter. Thanks for your generosity. Items wanted are on a sheet following.

7. **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.

8. **80th Anniversary Rededication of WWII Memorial Windows & Dedication of Propeller Blade was Sat., August 15, 2026.**

For those who missed the service or those who may want to revisit this milestone and memorable service, [you can go on Youtube to view it here.](#)

9.. **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.

10. **This week is St. James, Fairmont 5th Sunday Evensong Service at 4:00, followed by a potluck -- all are welcome!**

11. **PASTORAL CARE:** **For urgent care,** please contact the Ven. Canon Judy Walton at revjudy@rogers.com or 705-444-0233.

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, August 26th 2026

Hosta is a genus of plants commonly known as Hostas, or Plantain Lilies. Hostas are popular shade-loving perennial plants grown primarily for their large, textured, and colourful leaves. Leaves come in shades of green, blue, gold and white, often variegated or with striped patterns. Tall spikes of white or purple, bell-shaped flowers appear in summer. The variety growing on either side of the entrance doorway to the church have just finished blooming. The larger-leafed, lime green variety growing in the Labyrinth circle are now showing their white, trumpet-shaped blooms.



Hostas grow best in locations that receive gentle morning sun and protection from harsh afternoon heat. They thrive in rich, moist, and well-drained soil with a slightly acidic pH. Hostas are native to China, Japan, and Korea, where they grew wild and were cultivated in temple gardens as early as the Han Dynasty. Hostas arrived in North America from European gardens during the mid-19th century, a few decades after they were first imported from East Asia to Europe.

Buxus – Boxwood – The Boxwood hedge in the Memorial Garden, has fallen prey to the Box Tree Moth (*Cydalima perspectalis*). This invasive insect pest is another import from East Asia, similar to the Ash Tree Borer, Asian Long horned Beetle and the Spotted Lantern Fly. All three of these insects originally invaded the United States and have made their destructive way into Ontario.

The Box Tree Moth aggressively feeds on the leaves and bark of the Boxwood (*Buxus* species) and has severely damaged the hedge at Christ Church. The insect chews the foliage leaving a thin transparent section of the upper epidermis of the leaves. The larva/caterpillars spin fine silken threads and create webs around the twigs and leaves to provide protective shelters. Once the leaves are gone the caterpillar feeds on the outer bark causing girdling and the stems dry out. Considering the extent of the damage to the hedge the shrubs will be cut down near to the base in the hope that new growth will be regenerated from the roots. It is recommended that the pruned branches be double bagged and put out as garbage and not taken to the Municipal Compost Facility to prevent the further spread of the insect infestation.

- John Howard, NPD



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.

For more information, contact the Church Office:
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