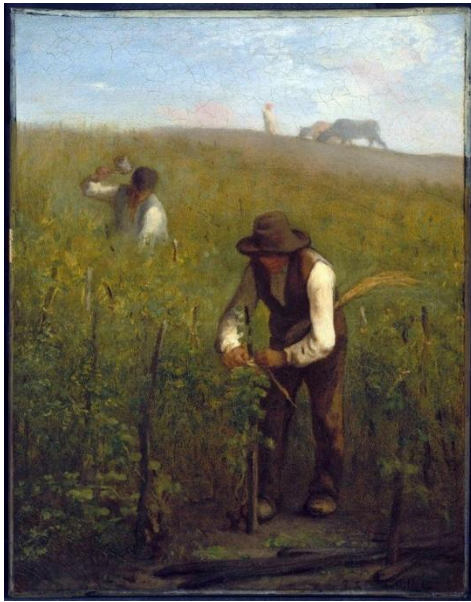




Eblast for September 30, 2026

Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

– October 4, 2026

Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presider: The Ven. Canon Judy Walton

The readings are: Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Ps 19; Phil 3:4b-14; Mt 21:33-46.

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 coffee and fellowship, following the worship service on Sunday.



2. Midweek Prayer (said) service at 12:00noon and Wednesday's Bible reading session at 1:00pm are occurring today, September 30th.



3. Choir Practice is every Thursday, at 2:30pm. *Come and make a joyful noise!*

4. The Free Community Breakfast is offered every Monday from 8:30 to 10am. Join us for a hearty breakfast. It's free; however donations are gratefully accepted if you're able.



5. It's that time again! **The Country Kitchen & Craft Sale is Saturday, October 17 from 9am to 1pm** here at Christ Church (Parish Hall). If you have an item or two to donate for the sale, please speak to Canon Kevin. Jams, jellies, preserves, crafts, pies, GF baking, & more are all appreciated. Please spread the word. We have preserving jars if you need some. See poster following.

6.  **To make our Thanksgiving decorations and service even more meaningful, the Chancel Guild is inviting parishioners to loan us jars of homemade preserves, vegetables, gourds and fruits (no flowers please) to help decorate the church. The decorations need to be at the church before 9 am Saturday October 10th and we ask that donors pick up their contributions and take them home after the Thanksgiving Sunday service. We'd be very grateful for your help!**

7. **Home Children Canada – September 2026 Newsletter** - [Go here.](#)

8. **World Food Day Concert** is Sunday, October 25, at 2pm at Knox Presbyterian Church. See posters on bulletin boards.

Following (page 5) is a poster on the Toonie Tree and the Bighead Hunger Relief Project.

The Bighead River Hunger Relief Project is once again asking for your support in hosting a toonie tree for the month of October. You will notice the Toonie Tree at the back of the church through the month of October.

9. **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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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scarecrow Invasion: September 9th through October 18th. Parade is October 2. Info: <https://www.scarecrowinvasion.ca/>.

Country Kitchen & Craft Sale

Sat. Oct. 17, 2026.
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Christ Church Anglican

34 Boucher St. East (off Sykes St)
Meaford, Ontario.

519-538-1330

office@christchurchanglican.ca

We are planning
to have:

Soups

Bread

Bake Table

GF Baking

Pies

Chili Sauce

Pickles

Jams / preserves

Crafts

& perhaps a
few more things

No admission charge
Family friendly



On the same day join us downstairs in
the Memorial Hall from 11:00 a.m. to
12:30 p.m. for a lunch in support of
the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

A partner organisation of the
Anglican Church of Canada.



CHRIST CHURCH
ANGLICAN
MEAFORD

What's Blooming at Christ Church, Meaford, September 30th, 2026.



Physocarpus opulifolius 'Donna May' – Little Devil Dwarf Ninebark of which there are 3 of the original 5 specimens planted growing in the labyrinth. Ninebark, is an upright, spreading, somewhat coarse, deciduous shrub which is closely related to the genus Spiraea. Noted for its exfoliating bark (on mature branches) which peels in strips to reveal several layers of reddish to light brown inner bark, which is why it has the common name, Ninebark. 'Donna May' is a compact variety of Ninebark that features colourful foliage, exfoliating bark, and a rounded, dense, well-branched growth habit. Mature plants will reach up to 4' tall with a similar spread. The foliage retains its dark maroon-purple tinge throughout the growing season. It has small pink or white, five-petaled flowers appearing in dense, flat, rounded, 1-2" diameter, spirea-like clusters (corymbs) in late spring. This variety however is mainly grown for its foliage colour

and not its flower. Easily grown in average, slightly acidic, dry to medium moisture, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. Best in full sun in this area, but appreciates some afternoon shade in climates with hot, humid summers. Tolerates a wide range of soil conditions. Prune as needed immediately after bloom and no later than mid-August. Plants may be cut close to the ground in early spring to rejuvenate. The Genus name comes from the Greek 'physis' meaning a bladder and 'karpos' meaning fruit, referring to the inflated dry fruits of the plant.

Buddleja davidii – Butterfly Bush, also less known as orange eye, or summer lilac, has been blooming in the neglected Memorial Garden, despite it being fenced in due to the necessary repairs to the bell tower. It is a species of flowering plant in the Scrophulariaceae family. This specimen has been growing in its present location for over 15 years. Originally native to most of China, except the most northeast, it has been widely used as an ornamental plant with many other named cultivars in cultivation. The genus was named Buddleja or Buddleia after the English botanist, the Reverend Adam Buddle. The species name, 'davidii', is after the French missionary and explorer in China, Father Armand David, who is recorded to be the European to report the shrub. It was found near Yichang by a Dr. Augustine Henry circa 1887 and sent to St. Petersburg.

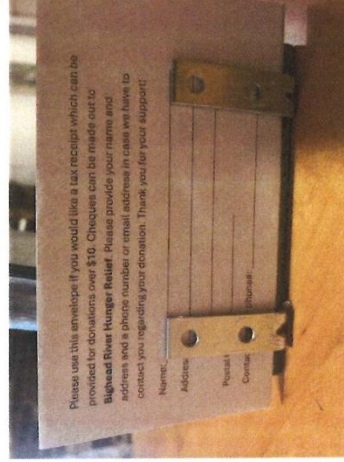


It was grown from seed collected by another botanist-missionary in China, Jean-Andre Soulie which he sent to the French nursery Vilmorin and sold commercially in the 1890's. Butterfly Bush, Buddleja davidii is now considered invasive in parts of Canada, particularly of Canada, particularly in British Columbia, where it escapes gardens and crowds out native plants along roadsides, stream edges, and disturbed areas. While it is frequently grown in gardens and can survive harsh winters, there are reports that it has begun escaping cultivation in southern areas like Haldimand-Norfolk. Experts warn that its invasive potential may increase with a changing climate. There are many other species of plants that are presently extremely more invasive which are of concern than the Butterfly Bush. *Submitted by John Howard, NPD*

Toonie Tree Drive

645 million people worldwide struggle with hunger
1 in 5 in Africa don't have enough food
33 million in Sudan face critical food shortages

Please give to the Bighead River Hunger Relief Project as they support the work of Canadian Foodgrains Bank in their effort to end global hunger.



ON SEPTEMBER 30



WEAR ORANGE

Orange Shirt Day: Metanoia, a time to turn toward

For info: <https://diohuron.org/about-us/indigenous-ministry/pages/orange-shirt-day-metanoia-a-time-to-turn-toward--145>