



**Christ Church Anglican Meaford  
Eblast for November 23, 2022**



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**This Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022,  
The First Sunday of Advent, Holy Eucharist**

*“We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.”*

– Psalm 33:20

**The readings are: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44.**

**If unable to attend in person, we invite you to join us by livestreaming at [www.christchurchanglican.ca](http://www.christchurchanglican.ca) or on our youtube channel.**

**Please consider bringing your donation for the Meaford Foodbank’s Christmas hampers and/or Christmas Stars’ program to leave in a bin at the back of the church.**

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**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**1. Upcoming Services**

- **Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, Second Sunday of Advent – Holy Eucharist at 10:30am AND**
- **Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, Christ Church is hosting a CHORAL EVENSONG at 4:00pm.** On this the Second Sunday of Advent we will be joined by the choirs of St. George’s the Parish of the Blue Mountains and St. George’s Owen Sound. **You won’t want to miss this collaboration of choirs.**
- **Watch for Advent and Christmas services to be announced shortly. There will be a Christmas service on Christmas Day.**



**2. ADVENT BOOK STUDY** will begin **Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm** and continue for the four weeks of Advent. . The topic of study will be ***Being Christian***, sections titled Baptism, Bible, the Eucharist and Prayer. This publication is by the Most Rev. Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury. Books can be purchased at

Amazon online for about \$13.00



**3. Midweek Eucharist services in St. George’s Chapel take place at 12:00noon on Wednesdays.** If you wish you may bring a brown bag lunch for afterwards.



**4. Meaford Foodbank’s Christmas Hampers and Stars programs -** please consider contributing to this very worthwhile cause. The Christmas hampers need canned meat, canned vegetables and juice. The Great Mandarin Orange Fund asks for cheques of \$10 made out to the Meaford Foodbank and Outreach and mark “oranges” in the subject line.

The Children's Christmas Star program has a list of items to be included so that each child from the local area receives a similar bundle for the holidays – the list follows on the back page.

**Please note that the deadline for receiving items at the Foodbank is Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. The Foodbank is open Mondays 9:30am-11:30am and Thursdays 5-7pm for direct delivery or bring your items to leave in the bin at the back of the church. If you have items and need a pickup, please call the Church office 519-538-1330 and we will see that items get delivered.**


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**5 Exercise Class is back.** If you feel the urge to get moving, this is for you. This is a class of gentle exercises and suitable for all types. Barb Horne is the facilitator. Classes occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9:30 to 11:00am, downstairs at the church. For more info, call Barb at 647-385-9425.

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**6. Community Breakfast Table is every Monday.** The breakfast of bacon and/or sausage and eggs, juice, tea/coffee begins at 8 o'clock and ends at 10 o'clock. It's a great time to meet with family or friends (or both). This is a free meal on Mondays downstairs in the Memorial Hall. Your donation is appreciated if you are able. Invite your friends to enjoy breakfast and fellowship next Monday.



 **7. Our Prayer List.** Please let Fr. Brendon know or contact the church office if there is anyone who continues to need our prayers and whose name will continue on the prayer list into the next month.

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**8. PLEASE NOTE** with rising numbers of respiratory illnesses, we will continue to ask parishioners (who have not elected to use pre-authorized payments PAP) to leave their offertory givings on the plate at the back of the church. We also remind everyone that as a policy of the parish, wearing a facemask is optional and a personal decision unless otherwise directed by the Huron Diocese, and/or the Province of Ontario. **However, we do suggest that if you feel unwell, please do not attend in person. In that unfortunate circumstance, if you are able, we invite you to watch the livestreamed service online at 10:30am offered each Sunday on our website or Youtube channel.**

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**9. For PASTORAL CARE** – please contact the Rev'd Brendon Bedford at [brendonbedford@diohuron.org](mailto:brendonbedford@diohuron.org) or 226-974-5060 or the Rev'd Gilles Haché at [gilleshache@diohuron.org](mailto:gilleshache@diohuron.org) or 519-505-6965. They will respond as quickly as possible. Re all other ministries, questions or concerns, please call the Church office at 519-538-1330 or [office@christchurchanglican.ca](mailto:office@christchurchanglican.ca).

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## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Sound Investment Choir** is having a Musical Celebration on Sat., Dec 3 at 7:30pm, Trinity United Church, 140 Maple St., Collingwood. Organ solo by Keiko Yoden-Kuepfer. Tickets: online at [theatrecollingwood.ca](http://theatrecollingwood.ca), at the door or from Louis Bernard.

**Christmas on the Bay** – is looking for volunteers. They are asking for volunteers for the following positions: Greeters (Dec 1-4), Setup (Nov 29 & 30 - lighting/live tree moving), Tear-down (Dec 5 & 6, 8am start), Snow Monitors/Shovellers (Dec 1-4), Fire Keepers (Dec 1-4). People can go to <https://form.123formbuilder.com/6142399/form> to register for volunteering and letting us know what they would like to do and the hours. Please contact [volunteer@christmasonthebay](mailto:volunteer@christmasonthebay) if you need help or call Stef (519) 939-9105.

FREE Education for Health Professionals (South West Self-Management Program) – for info [www.swselfmanagement.ca](http://www.swselfmanagement.ca), [info@swselfmanagement.ca](mailto:info@swselfmanagement.ca) or 1-855-463-5692. Also posted on bulletin boards.

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The Church Office is OPEN Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Call 519-538-1330 or [office@christchurchanglican.ca](mailto:office@christchurchanglican.ca)

Today's chuckle .....



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"Many thanks to the Ladies' Quilting Club  
for the new choir robes."

# Meaford Foodbank's Christmas Wishlist

To our community churches, here is the Meaford Foodbank 'wishlist' for their Christmas hampers and Stars' programs:

## Shopping list for Foodbank Christmas Hampers

### Food Items:

- \* Canned meat
- \* Canned Vegetables
- \* Juice

The Great Mandarin Orange Fund: we would like to include with each Christmas food hamper a box of oranges. Would the community churches consider collecting/fundraising for the cost of oranges. (about \$10/box). We are expecting to put together at least 225 hampers this year. Make cheques payable to Meaford Foodbank and Outreach.... marked 'oranges' ... the Food Bank would make the order.

## Children's Christmas Star Program

Instead of individual or organizational sponsors this year, for the Stars, we are going to fill our "Star-Mart" with the essentials for the children and book appointment times for the parent to come and shop for their own children with a volunteer there to assist. We will work off a list of items so that each family and child receives a similar bundle for the holidays. We feel this will allow an increase in dignity and participation for the family- sharing the "joy" that we get from putting together these packages.

Here is a 'shopping list' to help you. Clothing items can be any size. Again, make cheques payable to Meaford Foodbank and Outreach, marked 'stars.'

- \* Warm Pajamas
- \* packages of socks
- \* packages of underwear (all children's sizes, all adult sizes)
- \* colouring books
- \* children's books (all ages)
- \* earbuds for teenagers
- \* board games for families
- \* decks of cards
- \* craft kits
- \* small Lego kits
- \* balls (basketballs, soccer balls, volleyballs, baseballs)
- \* Activity items (skipping ropes, sidewalk chalk, etc.)
- \* baby blankets
- \* Baby toys (rattles, soft books, etc.)

Thank you so much for supporting our community so generously at a time when costs are escalating. We really appreciate your help.

Sincerely,  
Amber - Food Bank Co-ordinator  
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