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"Planting seeds - watching them grow."

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The AppleLog

Your Weekly Guide to What's Happening at Applewood United Church

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Springridge Farm
Leslie West





We will be distributing the Applewood Benevolent Fund envelopes this Sunday for those who wish to donate. Thank you for the support this initiative has received.



Worshipping with Applewood United - November 1

UPDATE

Join us this Sunday at Applewood United Church or on ZOOM for worship celebrating All Saints' Sunday with the Sacrament of Communion. Rev. Charlie Hogg will lead worship, along with Rev. Heather Gilmour until November 15. An informal refreshment time will follow the service if volunteers are available. If you are attending on ZOOM, a direct link will be emailed as an attachment on Friday, along with a copy of the service. To participate in the ZOOM worship over your telephone, call 647-374-4685 or 647-558-0588, and when asked enter this meeting ID: 827 5263 8086 and this Pass Code: 753101.

Announcer - Sharon Konyen
Reader - Sharon Konyen
Greeter - Lynn Detcher
Usher - Don Steen
Sound - Elizabeth Miller
Tech - William Miller
Refreshments - John and Linda Spence

Meetings and Events - Week of November 1

UPDATE

Sunday	November 1	10:30 am	All Saints' Sunday with communion
Wednesday	November 4	9:30 am	ZOOM Men's Group
Thursday	November 5	9:30 am	Applewood Playgroup (AGCH)
		10:00 am	Knitting Circle (P)
		7:00 pm	Choir Practice

Upcoming Worship Services

Sunday, November 8	**10:30 am**	Remembrance Sunday
Sunday, November 15	**10:30 am**	Children's Sunday with Baptism
Sunday, November 22	**10:30 am**	Rev. Cindy Bourgeois' 1st Sunday at Applewood

Upcoming Events

- **Sunday, November 8 at 7:30 pm,** A Service of Prayer with the Songs of Taizé at Port Nelson United Church (3132 South Dr., Burlington). A quiet, reflective way to end the day and begin the week. Repetitive chant-like music, readings, and intentional silence. All bathed in candlelit beauty.
- **Saturday, November 14, 9 am to 2 pm,** Mistletoe Mart at Port Nelson United Church (3132 South Drive, Burlington) $4 donation for entry. Artisans, Silent Auction, Cafe, Baked Goods, Fine Treasures and More!
- **Saturday, November 14, 10 am to 2 pm,** Annual Fall Marketplace at Erin Mills United Church (3010 The Collegeway, Mississauga) .$2 admission fee, proceeds to Armagh House. 15 vendors, baking & light refreshments.

Pastoral Care Coverage

Emergency pastoral care coverage is being provided for Applewood by:

Rev. Heather Weaver-Orosz, Minister at Christ First - from Oct. 21 to Nov. 15
Contact info: 289-783-6313
revheather@christfirst.ca

Kitchen Purchases

NEW

If you have purchased kitchen supplies and wish to be reimbursed, please make sure to keep all your receipts and submit them, along with a pink reimbursement form to Lori Coleman.

Linda Emerson

News You Can Use

Please remember that announcements must be received by **Nancy Beatty** at editor@applewoodunited.ca no later than 10 am on Wednesday so they can be included in the weekly AppleLog. Articles submitted must have the name of the contact person and may be edited for content and/or size.

Applewood has developed a **Media Policy** to ensure that the content included in all our media reflects our inclusive ministry. This policy was approved by our Executive and can be found on our website. We encourage everyone to familiarize themselves with the policy as they submit future articles.

Welcome to the Applewood United Church Community!

We are glad you are reading our newsletter! We gather on Sundays for hybrid worship, a combination of live + virtual participation (Zoom, when available). We work to stay connected via our Facebook page, Instagram (applewoodunitedchurch), LED sign, telephone contact, visits, and delivery of materials to those without internet access. We are always looking for more ways to keep in touch! Please feel free to share this AppleLog, website links, contact information and any other documents we produce widely with friends or neighbours.

To access a written copy of our weekly services, or recordings of our services, please visit our website www.applewoodunited.ca, and go to the Worship tab. You can choose 'Worship at home' for the written service, ZOOM recordings for the 'live' version. You can also call one of our friendly helpers, names and numbers listed on the last page of the AppleLog.

Our rooms and building are available for rental for special occasions and meetings. Please contact the office for more information and rates. office@applewoodunited.ca

Duty of Care

It is that time of year again to discuss and complete our Duty of Care forms. All Committee Chairs and Team Leaders will find a brown envelope behind their name in the closet shelves. Please take time to discuss our policy with your group and fill in the Statement of Confidentiality. There are also forms for new members or those whose information may have changed.

When completed, please leave them in the church office. The due date is October 30, 2026. Thank you for your help in maintaining our due diligence.

Submitted by Glenna Armour



SAVE THE DATE! JOY! A Gospel Christmas - December 13, 2026

Rehearsals are beginning for our Choir & Friends Christmas presentation - Is this YOUR year to join the choir for Christmas? Every year we welcome choir friends that join us just for Christmas! If you are interested to participate in this years presentation contact Christina for more information: christina@applewoodunited.ca

November is Stewardship Month!

NEW



As we await the arrival of our new minister, the theme for this year's Stewardship Campaign is "New Beginnings".

You will find your stewardship envelope at the back of the Sanctuary this coming Sunday. It will contain a letter from Rev. Charlie Hogg and one from the Stewardship team. Please take a few moments to read these letters. Also included is a statement of givings to October 31st, which, for your convenience, shows your annual pledge totals for 2026. The column "Other" contains your Capital Fund contribution. A pledge form for 2027, and a return envelope is also included.

Please pick your envelope up, and, if possible, that of a friend or neighbour. If you are able, please deliver the envelopes in a timely manner. As postage is very expensive, the fewer we have to mail, the better. If you do not find your envelope, someone may have picked it up to deliver to you. If you have not received it in a week or so, please call Jo-Anne, Office Administrator, 905-277-4162 ext. 1, and she will make sure you get one. If you are able, please return your completed pledges by November 30th.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration in completing your pledge form for 2027.

The Stewardship Team

NEW



Movie Night from Affirming Hearts in Action at Christ First United Church

1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture

"*Affirming Hearts in Action Presents a Film Screening Series*. Join us on Friday, November 13th at 6:30-8:30 pm for a film screening in the sanctuary, followed by discussion. 1946: THE MISTRANSLATION THAT SHIFTED CULTURE is a documentary film that investigates the grave consequences of an erroneous biblical translation of the word "homosexual;" chronicling the effect on culture, politics, religion, and the LGBTQIA+ community over the last century. The trailer can be watched here.

To register, please fill out this form. Collecting donations for Friends of Ruby, a welcoming space for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth. If you have any questions, please reach out to affirming@christfirst.ca."

Anne Moore

Lives in Transition

We hope this space in the AppleLog will allow the community to share news - joyful and sad - about their friends and family, former members of Applewood, or others who may be known in our faith community. Please send your notes to editor@applewoodunited.ca by Wednesday morning each week. We will continue to inform you directly of deaths in the Applewood family when we have that information to share.

NEW

Kairos Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Region, of which Brian is the Co-Chair, has their yearly online Workshop on **Wednesday Nov. 18th** from **7 - 8 pm** on the topic of ***Renewing our Welcome for Migrant Workers***. Our guest speakers, as you can see, are a Professor from Simon Fraser University and a Kairos Canada staff person. Please ask Brian if you'd like to know more, and register if you are interested. See below for more details.

Submitted by Brian McIntosh for the Affirming Committee





2027 Canadian Church Calendars

NEW

The theme this year is “Draw the Circle Wide”. Celebrate United Churches across Canada! Focusing on the theme of 65 years of United Church Women, a bilingual calendar featuring colourful photos from communities of faith across the country plus all the special days, church seasons, and lectionary dates.

The cost is $10.00, same as last year! Please see Jo-Anne in the office.

November Dates of Significance

NEW

November 5-11 - Veterans’ Week

During Veteran’s Week, we remember the past and present service and sacrifice of hundreds and thousands of Canadians in uniform in times of war, military conflict, and peace.



Every year tens of millions of Canadians wear a poppy. Anna Guerin of France is credited with first proposing the poppy as a symbol of the horrible costs and sacrifices of war in the aftermath of WWI. The poppy campaign is very much a local initiative conducted by Royal Canadian Legion branches across the country. Donations collected are held in trust at the branch level to directly support veterans and their families and to ensure that Canadians "never forget". Biodegradable poppies and wreaths made from paper, cotton velvet, plaster, moss and bamboo are again featured in the 2026 campaign. This year marks 100 years of service, community impact and Remembrance for the Royal Canadian Legion.

The Legion’s “poppy stories" present information about real Canadian veterans including anecdotes about their lives and their roles in the military. Visit poppystories.ca on your mobile device to scan your Poppy. The Remembrance section on Veterans.gc.ca also gives you an opportunity to discover the many facets of Canada’s military history and the people who served.

Ways to donate: traditional poppy boxes, app-enabled boxes, online at Legion.ca or poppystore.ca and a storefront on Amazon.ca.

Many Canadian landmarks and community locations will light up at various times in the next two weeks. Once again, beginning on October 24th, beautiful poppies representing fallen Canadian veterans will cascade virtually down the Senate Building near the National War Memorial and the Peace Tower on Parliament Hill. The Legion’s Virtual Wall of Honour, a silent video sharing photos of veterans submitted from people across the country, will also be projected from two giant screens. Celebration Square will host the City of Mississauga's annual Remembrance Day ceremony on Wednesday, November 11 beginning at 10:30 a.m. The outdoor ceremony takes place at the Community Memorial, located at the northwest corner of Celebration Square. You can attend in person to honor Canada's veterans or watch the event via live stream on the City of Mississauga's website or Facebook page.

Submitted by Sophie Cook

Persistent Resistance— Preparing Ourselves for the Long Haul

NEW

ISARC stands for the Interfaith Social Assistance Reform Coalition, and they have a yearly Leader's Forum at Queen's Park, adding the online livestream option since COVID. The cost-of-living emergency continues to deepen, while government responses fall far short of what Ontarians need. As faith communities we know that building a more just and equitable province requires more than short-term solutions. It calls for sustained solidarity, creative advocacy, and a commitment to keep going, even when change feels slow or setbacks in policy occur.

This year ISARC brings together people of faith, organizers and advocates from across Ontario to explore how we can sustain this work for the long haul by showing persistent resistance.

This event is free, with an optional donation that suits your means - and while the prospect of a 5-hour online experience is hard to contemplate, the main speakers are all finished by noon.

Feel free to ask Brian if you'd like more information. Registration is required - click here!

Submitted by Brian McIntosh for the Affirming Committee



Applewood Playgroup

Playgroup - Thursdays from 9:30 -11:30 am. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let them know. All are welcome!
Annemaria Bakker

Knitting Circle



Knitting Circle - Thursdays from 10:00 am -12:00 pm. All are welcome!

Mission and Service Stories: Youth Leadership Animators



What does it mean to be a leader in the church? For eight young people from across The United Church of Canada, this summer was an opportunity to explore that question through the Leadership Animator program.

Leadership Animators gained confidence, explored their passions, and discovered the many ways they can be involved in the life of the church. They also brought fresh perspectives and voices to a wider church where youth leadership continues to grow in importance.

Thank you for supporting programs like the Leadership Animators through Mission and Service. Let's give generously. Together, we're helping young people grow in faith, discover their gifts, and shape the future of our church.

United Church of Canada E-ssentials - October 27, 2026

Men's Coffee Group

Wednesdays @ 9:30 am via ZOOM
Contact the church office - 905-277-4162 or office@applewoodunited.ca

Computer Help



If you need help accessing ZOOM, our 'Worship at Home' links, or our website, please call one of the volunteers below. They are 'standing by' to help!

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Len Vantol 905-823-0574 - Blair Carruthers 905-275-5724/647-609-5723

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Go to the Interac transfer feature on your financial institution's website, enter treasurer@applewoodunited.ca in the recipient box and follow directions. There may be a small charge for this service, depending on your bank plan.

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