### COMMUNITY

# Georgetown Friends of Refugees Committee to present United in Song on Feb. 11

By Janet Duval GFORCe

You can thrill to wonderful music for a great cause as GFORCe (Georgetown Friends of Refugees Committee) presents United in Song on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 8 p.m.

The massed choirs of St John's United Church, St. Andrew's United Church and Knox Presbyterian Church will present music that ranges from Paul Simon to Les Miserables to Oscar Peterson, along with solo and small group performances and accompaniment on organ, grand piano, djembe drums and guitar.

A coalition of the three churches and many community volunteers, GFORCe is bringing a Syrian refugee family to Georgetown, probably this spring. They must raise more than \$30,000 to support the family for a year. Already they have free storage space jammed with furnishings, employment offers, and free dentistry and eye care offered by professionals in this area.

"United in Song will bring singers and musicians from all three churches together in a visible and audible symbol of our combined commitment to this sponsorship," says organizer Carolyn Maule, Music Director at St. John's.



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"Hopefully we will raise the funds to allow this family to find a new home and welcoming community here."

Also providing music leadership are Haydn Evans from Knox Church and Susan Whaley of St. Andrew's.

There is no admission charge for the concert, but there will be a freewill offering and gifts of \$20 or more will be receipted. First come, first seated!

Doors will open at 7:15 p.m. at St. John's United Church, 11 Guelph St., Georgetown. The building is fully accessible. Following a complete renovation of the church sanctuary in 2014, audience members can bask in the glow of soft lights, the gleam of an extended hardwood stage, a special slide presentation before the show, and the comfiest concert seating in town.



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