



# Weekly Update from First – August 19/21

Don't Forget....

Our Yard Sale & Vendor Event on Saturday from 8am to noon!

We will have lots of great vendors & lots of people selling their treasures in the parking lot!!

Join us!



## Online Sundays at 10:30am!

We continue to offer the Worship Service Virtually at 10:30am for our own First family, as well as friends from Central, St. Andrew's & New Vision UC! This is a great opportunity to connect with your faith community and our friends from other United Churches in St. Thomas!

**IMPORTANT!!**

**THERE IS A NEW LINK TO JOIN ONLINE WORSHIP LIVE:**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_liBwyoKu0o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_liBwyoKu0o)

Please use the link provided in the Weekly Update each week to join Worship (it will change each week)

*If you would like to watch the replay of the service at a later time (not live on Sunday morning) you can access the video here:*

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbQIVdQ7YKHJMOcIFUVARWw>

## Upcoming Staff Summer Vacation Times

Lori will be on holidays:

Monday, August 23

& Wednesday, September 1

Rev. Daryl will be on holidays:

Tuesday, August 31 – Tuesday,

September 7

Happy Anniversary this week to:

Marg & Alvin Epp



Happy birthday this week to:

Lois Smith

Dorothy Cameron



## NEW ALARM SYSTEM AT FIRST CHURCH

If you have a key but have not been given a new code for the new alarm, please don't enter the building – the alarm will go off.

Please contact Lori if you are in need of a code for the alarm.



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ALSO... we need volunteers to help with the kitchen renovations that are happening: sanding, painting, shelf lining, etc. Please contact: Vicki & Mark Snowsell 519-660-9294 if you can help in the kitchen!

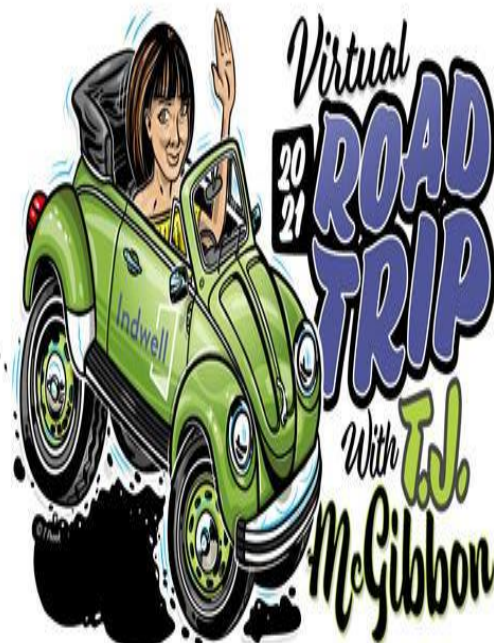
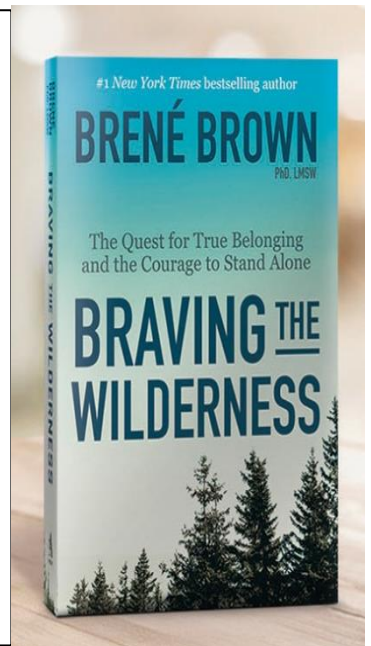
If you feel like you are traversing a wilderness and want to share with others how to find courage and belonging in this scary time, please join me (susanna) in the Fall (well after Labour Day) in an online book study of Brené Brown's book, *BRAVING THE WILDERNESS*.

You could form your own group and gather together to participate in the discussions with others who are also venturing into new territory as we reopen our churches. Sneak peek here:

<https://brenebrown.com/blog/2017/09/07/braving-the-wilderness-excerpt/>

There will be activities (mere suggestions) as well as discussions, so put on your best pilgrim gear and take a chance...

Curious, but still wondering exactly what this might look like, email susanna suchak – [susanna.suchak@gmail.com](mailto:susanna.suchak@gmail.com) to ask your questions.



**There are only two weeks left to pre-register and receive your free "travel kit" for Indwell's virtual road-trip!**

On **September 23 at 7:30 p.m.**, join us for a road-trip with local actor and Indwell ambassador T.J. McGibbon (*The Umbrella Academy*, *X-Men: Apocalypse*).

Come on a journey with us as we explore Indwell's work in Southern Ontario, discovering how we build communities that foster health, wellness, and belonging.

**[Register by August 31](#)** to receive your free "travel kit."

<https://indwell.ca/events/road-trip-2021/>