



Weekly Update from First – February 2/23



Everyone is invited to join us at **FIRST UNITED** on Sunday Morning at 10:30am!

Rev. Donna Kerrigan will lead Worship.
Family Time: "The Fire" by H. Janisch and F. Vandembroeck
Sermon: "Rock-salt & Star-light"

Worship Leader: Richard Auckland

Scripture Reading(s): Matthew 5:13-20

If you'd prefer, join us ONLINE for Worship,
here is the Streaming Link for February 5th:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qk3JWfZUwh8>

or join us on our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/firstunitedchurch

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Respect

Fairness



Happy birthday to:

Connor Siniowski

Debbie Alward

Nancy Copeland



TRUST... show RESPECT ... LISTEN ... then SPEAK.

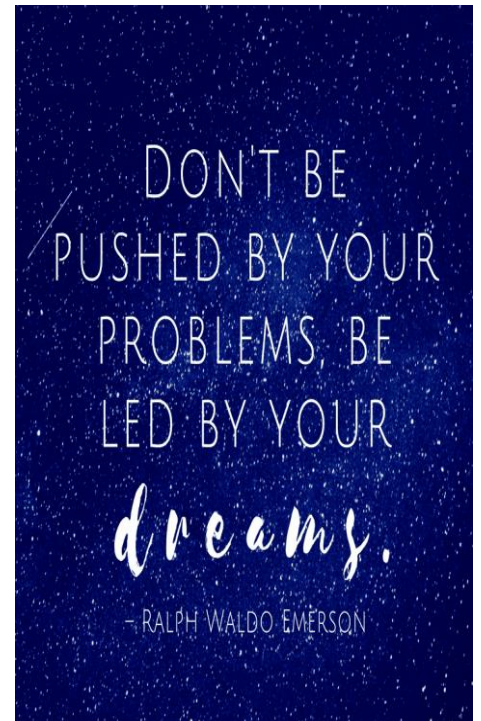


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First/Central Youth Group
(Grade 6-12)
meets Wednesdays at
First United Church
7-8:15pm

All Youth are welcome!



DON'T BE
 PUSHED BY YOUR
 PROBLEMS, BE
 LED BY YOUR
dreams.
 – RALPH WALDO EMERSON

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*Thank you
 for supporting
 the ministry of
 First United
 Church.*



Senior Choir
Thursdays at 7:30pm
 New voices always
 welcome!

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Joint Central & First Study Group Making Sense of the Bible (4 part series)

7 to 8:30 Wednesday nights (Feb 1st & 15th at First and
March 1st & 15th at Central)

Bring your questions and insights!

The bible has long been a primary source of Christian inspiration and direction. But how can we trust the bible to be meaningful today:

- when its miracle stories don't fit with science,
- when the bible contains racist and objectional material
- when it contains contradictions
- when it presents Jesus in two differing ways?

1. Miracle stories verses Science - Feb 1st at First

Nature of stories: Difference between facts and truth, history and story

Example of facts leading to untruths: 1 billion spent on political pacs same as amount spent on gum...meant to minimize pacs by comparing it to trivial gum but two different things

Special effects as powerful symbols and attention grabbing

Creation and Evolution

2. Inspirational scripture verses Objectional material - Feb 15th at First

How do we determine what is true and what is false?

Separating cultural norms from Loving norms

Repairing the damage of those beaten up by parts of the bible

3. Contradictions as Differing Points of View - March 1st at Central

Bible debates that continue today

Original Sin verses Original Blessing

Rules verses Justice

4. Two differing presentations of Jesus - March 15th at Central

Mat. Mark, Luke verses John

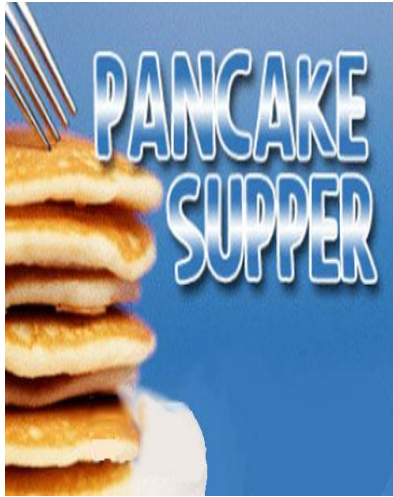
Jesus as only way verses Love as only way

Jesus moving beyond Tribal racism verses tribalism

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

**First Church is hosting a
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Tuesday, February 21st!!

Stay tuned...more details next week!!

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**If you have an Upcoming Date / Event / Meeting
you'd like included in the slides for our**



**please have it to Lori at First
(office@1stunitedchurch.ca)
by Wednesday at noon. Thank you!**

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