



Weekly Update from First – January 6/22



Watch for the “Candle in the Window” Fundraiser Final Total in next week’s Weekly Update!

Sunday Morning Worship Information

Greetings First Church Friends! With new COVID protocols in place, we will continue to follow Southwest Public Health guidelines. That being said, Central United Church will remain closed for the month of January. Worship will be in person at First for those wishing to attend. You may also join online (link below).

If you do plan on attending in person, you must:

- have proof of vaccination
- wear a mask, hand sanitize and socially distance
- provide contact information for tracing
- ensure that you are feeling well, and have not been in contact with a confirmed or probable case of COVID in the last 14 days

There will be no Sunday School for the coming month. However, for our families with youth/children, join Rev. Daryl from 10:15 till 10:25 a.m. at the Kid’s Corner before the service on Google Meets: <https://meet.google.com/pjg-zbez-nax> ‘Activities for the Young and Young at Heart’ will be posted to the church websites. Notification will be given when we return to in person youth programming.

The Google Meet will remain open throughout the service and everyone is invited to “come” for coffee on the same link following worship.

A separate link for the streaming of the service is always included in your Weekly Update! We also stream live on our Facebook page! The link for the Sunday, January 9th is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9P4QdkuBal4>

Rev. Matthew Penny will be preaching on the 9th, 16th and 23rd. Rev. Daryl Webber will be preaching on the 30th. Music is being coordinated between Jody McDonald-Groulx and Rosemary Fife for the month. We will review our plan February 2nd and will let you know of any changes going forward.

Thanks for being a part of our church community and Happy New Year to everyone!



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Families with Children & Youth

**You are invited to join
Rev. Daryl on Google
Meets Sunday mornings
from 10:15–10:25am.**

**See your church friends
and share a story!**

**We look forward to
seeing you!**

<https://meet.google.com/pjg-zbez-nax>

Coffee and Curious Spirituality Monday Mornings at 10:30am



*Coffee & Curious Spirituality Monday,
January 10th at 10:30am*

This week: We think about some of the values in our Model of Ministry we call the Ministry of Helping People succeed. We have spoken of the "Highschool Guidance Counsellor" as an example of what that position might look like and the duties it might fulfill. When you watch this video can you name the values of the Guidance Counsellor

program and can you imagine how these might get carried over into the church and community and different age groups? <https://www.dpedsb.org/programs-services/secondary/cooperative-education>

The Ministry of Helping people succeed is ultimately about helping create a culture of volunteering in the church, and helping people learn and grow. What if we turned that job description around so it valued the power of building community and sharing wisdom as a gift for the volunteer? What if every stage of life including retirement was about finding happiness and the church had a major role in nurturing that fulfillment? As you watch this video wonder about the Ministry of Helping People Succeed. Does this video add a twist to the position? How do you respond as a church person/volunteer to this video? Are you retired or an Elder? https://www.ted.com/talks/chip_conley_becoming_a_modern_elder

Grab a cup of coffee and explore these videos on your own and then join in conversation with another cup! See you Monday at 10:30.



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Happy birthday to:

Dean Traichevich

Abby West

Happy Birthday



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Youth Group will meet ONLINE.

Wednesday from 7:00-8:15pm

All Youth are welcome!

**Youth Group Leaders:
Chris Ross & Jean Fletcher**

Book Club Postponed

Until we are able to gather together again!

The Book is: 'The Wildwater Walking Club' by Claire Cook

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