**"Reach for the Stars!"**

**Fundraising Campaign**

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**With your help we**

**EXCEEDED our $10,000 goal**

**for December 2020!!**

**WELL DONE!!**

**THANK YOU FIRST CHURCH!!**

**Your ongoing support of First United Church is appreciated!**

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**Due to the lockdown announcement made on Monday, December 21st Family Worship will be postponed until we are able to gather at the church again.**

**Stay safe & well everyone!**

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**You are invited to Worship with us ONLINE Sunday Mornings at 10:30am!**

**We offer the Worship Service Virtually for our own First family, as well as friends from Central, St. Andrew's & New Vision United Churches.**

**This is a great opportunity to connect with your faith community and our friends from other United Churches in St. Thomas!**

**(link to join is included in the weekly email).**

**\*\*Due to the Lockdown Announcement made on Monday, December 21st we are unable to host in person worship at this time.**

**Stay safe & well everyone!**

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I am on holidays from Friday, December 18 to Monday, January 4 inclusive.

If you would like to make a **DONATION FOR THE YEAR 2020** – please place it through the Curtis Street mail slot, slip it under the Office Door or mail it to the Church.

The final deposit for 2020 Givings will be made at 3pm on Tuesday, January 5. Donations received after this time will be credited to your 2021 Givings*.*

Wishing everyone a happy, healthy & safe Advent / Christmas Season.

Best wishes,

Lori

\*\*After holidays, Lori will be working from home (January 5-24). She can be reached by emailing [office@1stunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@1stunitedchurch.ca) or calling the church office 519-631-7570

This week’s video is almost 1 1/2 hours long but it is a must watch for everyone in the house! It is funny and a good tear jerker at times.

It is the documentary of Irish folks who are 100 plus years. Some of them think they are not on God's register!

Sit back and enjoy this warm, loving and good humoured documentary over the Christmas Break! You and yours will not be disappointed.

What was your favorite part? Let’s share coffee on January 4, 2021....when we are all living into another year!

<https://tubitv.com/movies/490081/older-than-ireland>

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**Happy birthday to:**

**Klark Kewley**

**Heather Yacula**

Bring all your Christmas Cards to our Virtual Worship Service on January 3, 2021!

We will have an opportunity in the service to spend some time with the community that corresponds with us through the holidays. We will honour and savour their presence in our lives during a time of music and quiet!

Blessings,

Rev. Daryl