



Weekly Update from First – March 7, 2024

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN TIME FOR SUNDAY'S SERVICE. START TIME IS 11:00AM

Join us for

*Worship*



**AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH**

Sunday,  
March 10th  
LENT 4

**11 am**

**Please note  
change in time**

190th  
Anniversary!

Our friends from Central will  
join us to celebrate!

Rev. Paul will lead worship.

Sermon:  
"A New Thing"

Sherry Johnstone will be the  
Worship Leader.

The Band will lead the music.

Central's Choir will join us

Scripture: Isaiah 43 (selected)

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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*First's Church Office will be*  
**CLOSED**  
*March 8-17 while Lori is on Vacation*

The Office will reopen on Monday, March 18 at 9am.

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CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS

# LENTEN DEVOTIONAL STUDY

**THIS LENTEN DEVOTIONAL INVITES US TO DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR CREATION AND TAKE ACTION OR FAST FOR A CLIMATE IN CRISIS. INCLUDES A STUDY GUIDE.**

## WEDNESDAYS

LED BY: KATHRYN FLETCHER

**1:00PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**7:30PM | ONLINE - ZOOM**



Contact Kathryn Fletcher at [fletcherfamily@rogers.com](mailto:fletcherfamily@rogers.com) or 519-633-1902 for a softcover book or the Zoom link. Ebooks available at <https://united-church.ca/united-church-bookstore>.

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**YOUTH**  
*group*

**NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK (March 13)!**  
**Youth Group resumes Wednesday, March 20th**

7:00 - 8:15pm in the Gym at First  
Youth in Grades 6-12 welcome!

Leaders: Chris Ross & Teah Welch

First & Central United Churches  
Communities of Kindness

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Carol Richardson

Jen Buchanan

Bob Nicol

Bill Richardson

**EVERYONE**

—

*is welcome here*

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CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH  
(135 Wellington Street, St. Thomas)  
PRESENTS...

# CHESS *Warriors*

Bring your chess board & chess men if you have them!



If you don't have any don't worry - we have some!

WEDNESDAY  
EVENINGS

6:30 -  
8:00 PM

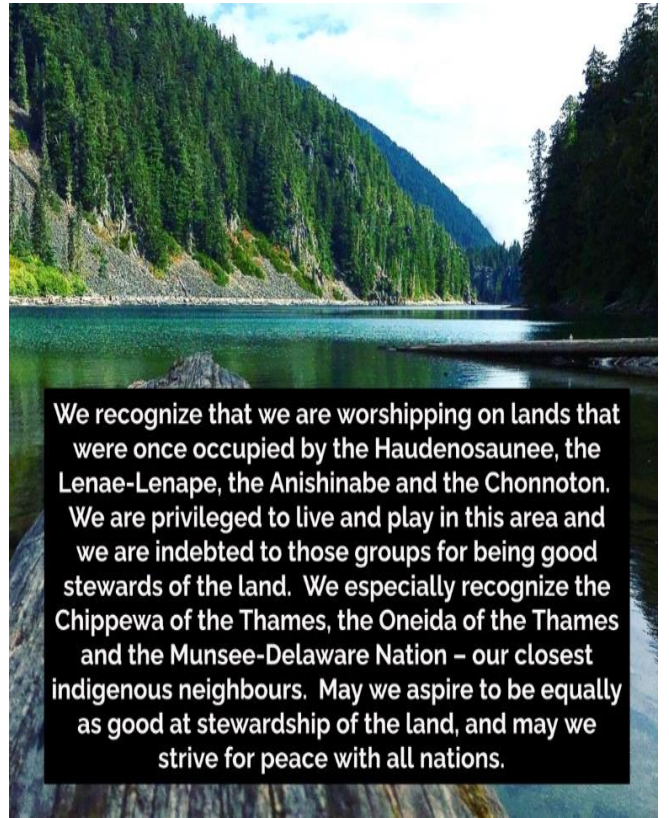


ALL AGES AND TALENT LEVELS, INCLUDING BEGINNERS, WELCOME



INSTRUCTION AVAILABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT TERRY LANNING  
519-630-8171 or [terry\\_lanning@sympatico.ca](mailto:terry_lanning@sympatico.ca)



We recognize that we are worshipping on lands that were once occupied by the Haudenosaunee, the Lenae-Lenape, the Anishinabe and the Chonnoton. We are privileged to live and play in this area and we are indebted to those groups for being good stewards of the land. We especially recognize the Chippewa of the Thames, the Oneida of the Thames and the Munsee-Delaware Nation – our closest indigenous neighbours. May we aspire to be equally as good at stewardship of the land, and may we strive for peace with all nations.

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**FIRST  
WORSHIP  
Band**

LOVE TO SING??

NEW VOICES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

PRACTICES ARE THURSDAY  
EVENINGS AT 7:30PM

JOIN US!!

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Join Us!

Joint **GOOD FRIDAY** *Worship*

Friday, March 29th  
• 10:30 am •

Held at Central United Church  
135 Wellington Street  
St. Thomas

www.centraluc.ca  
www.1stunitedchurch.ca

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 **CHORAL CONNECTION**

**Mozart's Mass in C Minor**  
Friday March 29, 2024  
at 7:30 PM  
Knox Presbyterian Church, St. Thomas

*20th Anniversary*  
2023-2024

www.choralconnection.ca

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FIRST UNITED CHURCH

**EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**HE IS RISEN!**

9:30AM  
MARCH 31

FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 7 CURTIS STREET, ST. THOMAS

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# First United Church is hosting a...



**Tuesday, April 9, 2024**

**Doors open @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Auction starts @ 7:00 p.m.**

**TICKETS: \$5 each**

Includes Admission & 2 Bidding Paddles

Extra Paddles are \$2 each

*Please bring your own quarters!*

*Light refreshments and snacks available to purchase*

7 Curtis Street, St. Thomas (corner of Talbot and St. George)

Call: 519-631-7570 for more details

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**First Church Friends!**

Please save your POP TABS to help a little girl named McKenna ("Smiley"), who has cerebral palsy, get a new wheelchair!



There is a container in the Fellowship (Coffee) Room to collect your donations.



Central United Church presents their Spring  
**Quarter Auction**  
135 Wellington St., St. Thomas

**Wednesday, May 8th**

Doors open @ 6 pm  
Auction starts @ 7pm

**Admission: \$5**  
Includes 1 paddle.  
Extra Paddles: \$2 each



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## First United Church

7 Curtis Street, St. Thomas, ON N5P 1H3

**Rev. Paul Browning**

Phone: 519-631-7570 ext. 22 (office)  
519-681-3521 (home)

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Rev. Paul's drop in hours at First are  
Mondays from 9:30am to 2pm.  
Other times are available by Appointment.

**Lori Hoffman (church office)**

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First United Church,  
St. Thomas

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*Thank you for your ongoing support of the  
ministry of First United Church!  
Your gifts make a difference in the lives of others!!*



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