



Weekly Update from First – November 2, 2023



Join us for

Worship

AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH



*Sunday
November
5th*

9:30 am

Rev. Paul will lead worship.

Sherry Johnstone will be the Lay Leader.

The band will lead music!

Scripture: St. John 15:9-12 and other assorted Gospels

ALL ARE WELCOME

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CHRISTMAS IS LOADING ...

Do you have a tree on your property that you're ready to part with and you think would make a great Christmas tree for our Sanctuary?

**Let us know!
Email Lori in the office:
office@1stunitedchurch.ca**

SECRET SANTA...

& SOCKS!

NOW til NOVEMBER 26th

**We're collecting...
Unwrapped Gifts (to age 12)
Non-perishable food items
& Monetary Donations
for Christmas Care**

**AND SOCKS (mens, womens & childrens)
for Grace Cafell**

Please bag socks separately from your Secret Santa Gifts.

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EVERYONE

is welcome here



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THIS TUESDAY!!! Grab some friends and bring some quarters! This will be a fun filled evening bidding on some great items from 10+ vendors (Our vendors are: Color Street, Just Whip It Up, Mr. Amish Peppercakes & Cheese Curds, Scentsy, Teena's Cards & Albums, The Celtic Pony, Thirty One, Tupperware, Union General Coffee Company Ltd. & Wishful Tree Healing). We will also be having a 50/50 draw and a raffle table.

First United Church is hosting a...



Tuesday, November 7, 2023

**Doors open @ 6:00 p.m.
Auction starts @ 7:00 p.m.**

TICKETS: \$5 each

Includes Admission & 1 Bidding Paddle
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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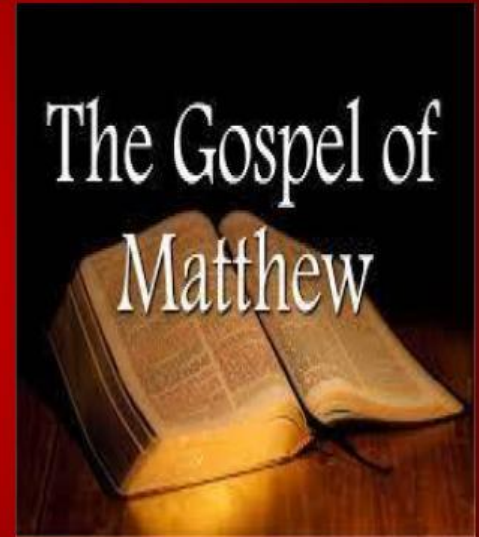
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Central United is hosting a Midweek Bible Study - The Gospel of Matthew

NEW LOCATION: Lower Parlour, Central
United Church

Wednesdays at 1:00 pm.

Contact Kathryn Fletcher at 519-633-1902
or fletcherfamily@rogers.com for more
information or for a Zoom link to the
evening session.



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Wednesdays
at First United Church
7-8:15pm

YOUTH

group

For Youth in Grades 6-12!

ALL YOUTH WELCOME!

Leader: Chris Ross
First & Central
United Churches
Communities of Kindness

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**The First Church
Worship Band**

meets Thursday
Evenings at 7:30pm.
New Members welcome!

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Remembrance Day

"They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the
years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We
will remember them."



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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HELPING US CONSTRUCT
OUR FLOAT OR PARTICIPATING IN THE

SANTA CLAUS PARADE

(FLOAT CONSTRUCTORS,
PARADE WALKERS / FLOAT RIDERS NEEDED)

ANGEL, SHEPHERD & MAGI COSTUMES PROVIDED!

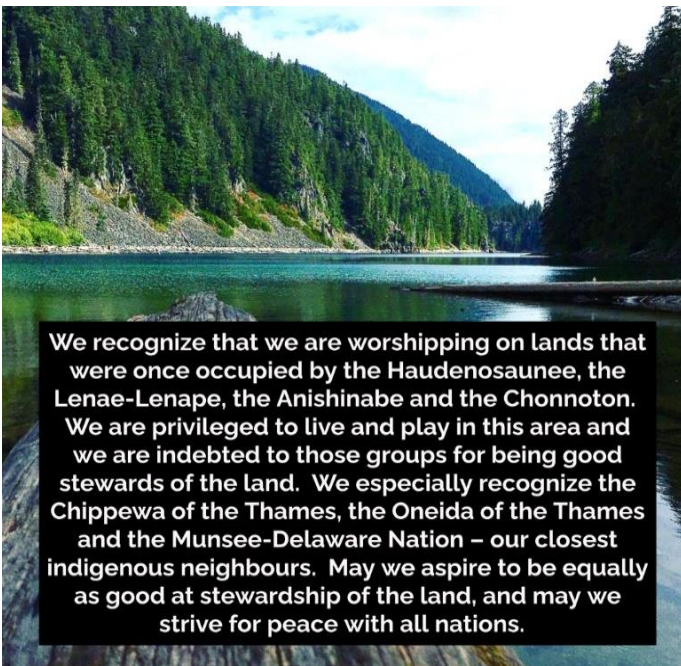
PARADE IS
18
NOVEMBER

EMAIL MIKE HARDMAN @
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**HOLD
THE
DATE!**



Tickets will
be available
on Sundays
from now til
the event.

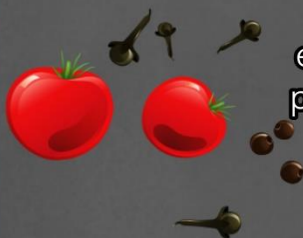
Join us at First United for a
SPAGHETTI DINNER

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
FROM 5:00 - 7:00PM**

**PRICE: Adults \$15, Children 5-15 \$10
and Children under 5 FREE**

**MENU: Spaghetti, Salad, Rolls,
Drinks & Dessert!**

If you would like to assist with this
event (food prep, serving, clean-up),
please contact Lori in the Church office
or email Mark & Vicki Snowsell at
snowsell@rogers.com



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Coming Soon...

FIRST UNITED

Holiday Market

SUNDAYS DECEMBER 3RD & 10TH

10:30AM TO NOON

GIFTS	DECOR	BAKERY
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IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY!

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This event will NOT be advertised on social media due to the smaller size of the event. But...we are asking the congregation to invite family and friends.

We would also like to ask those who would be able to, to donate items to this Holiday Market.

Gift idea items: Children's gift bags, new toys or books, stocking stuffers, crafts, ornaments, home décor (new), baking, snack gifts, jams, jellies, single serving meals, candy.

We would appreciate it if anyone who wants to donate items could contact: Sherry Johnstone at 519-933-5033 or sjohnstone1959@gmail.com OR Lois Whiteman at 519-631-3337 or loisjwhiteman@hotmail.com

**Timeline for donations:
Non-food items – by Sunday November 26
Food items – 8:00-9:00 am Sunday Dec.3
or contact Sherry Johnstone
to drop off frozen items prior to Dec.3**

**Funds raised for "Hug in a Mug" project "Hug in a Mug" Outreach project
(info coming out Nov.12)**

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SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 3RD
7:30PM

JOIN US FOR A
Festival
OF LESSONS & CAROLS

NO TICKETS - FREEWILL OFFERING

FIRST UNITED CHURCH, 7 CURTIS STREET, ST. THOMAS

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SAVE YOUR POP TABS



**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.**

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REMINDER!!

Church
VISITORS

If you are visiting the Church during the week (school days from 8am to 3:30pm – this does NOT include weekends, please enter as normal on Sundays for Church) please enter via the driveway off of St. George Street and park in the parking lot to the right.

If you have accessibility concerns, please call the office before you come and we'll make arrangements for you to get as close to the back door as possible.

THANK YOU!!!!

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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!!




If you have anything you'd like included in the Weekly Update/Sunday Slides, please have it in to Lori in the Church office

BY WEDNESDAY at NOON!

THANK YOU!!!

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