Weekly Update from First – October 23, 2025

SATURDAY!

THE CENTRAL AND FIRST UNITED CHURCH
ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP PRESENTS A

SPOOKY
Shunpiker Tour

This Saturday Afternoon, October 25th

Start Time For Everyone: 1:00 pm

Meet At Union Community Centre (aka Union Sports Club)
6068 Bell Street, Union
(at the corner of Sparta Line and Sunset Road)

Rain or shine, let's go for a ride to explore less-travelled roads in Elgin County while the fall colours linger. Like the Shunpiker events of the past, participants will not know our destinations ahead of time. A lead vehicle will show the way. We'll stop along the route to take in the scenery at selected venues and attempt to complete our spooky (but colourful) tour in approximately 2.5 hours. Washrooms will be available at the beginning and end of our trip.

TO REDUCE OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT, LET'S TRY TO CARPOOL!

SPOOKY TREATS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE END OF OUR JOURNEY 🙂

FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A RIDE, PLEASE CONTACT MARK SNOWSELL AT (519) 660-9294 OR snowsellm@gmail.com

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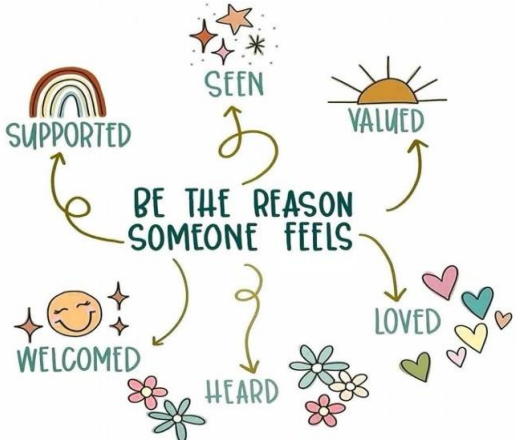

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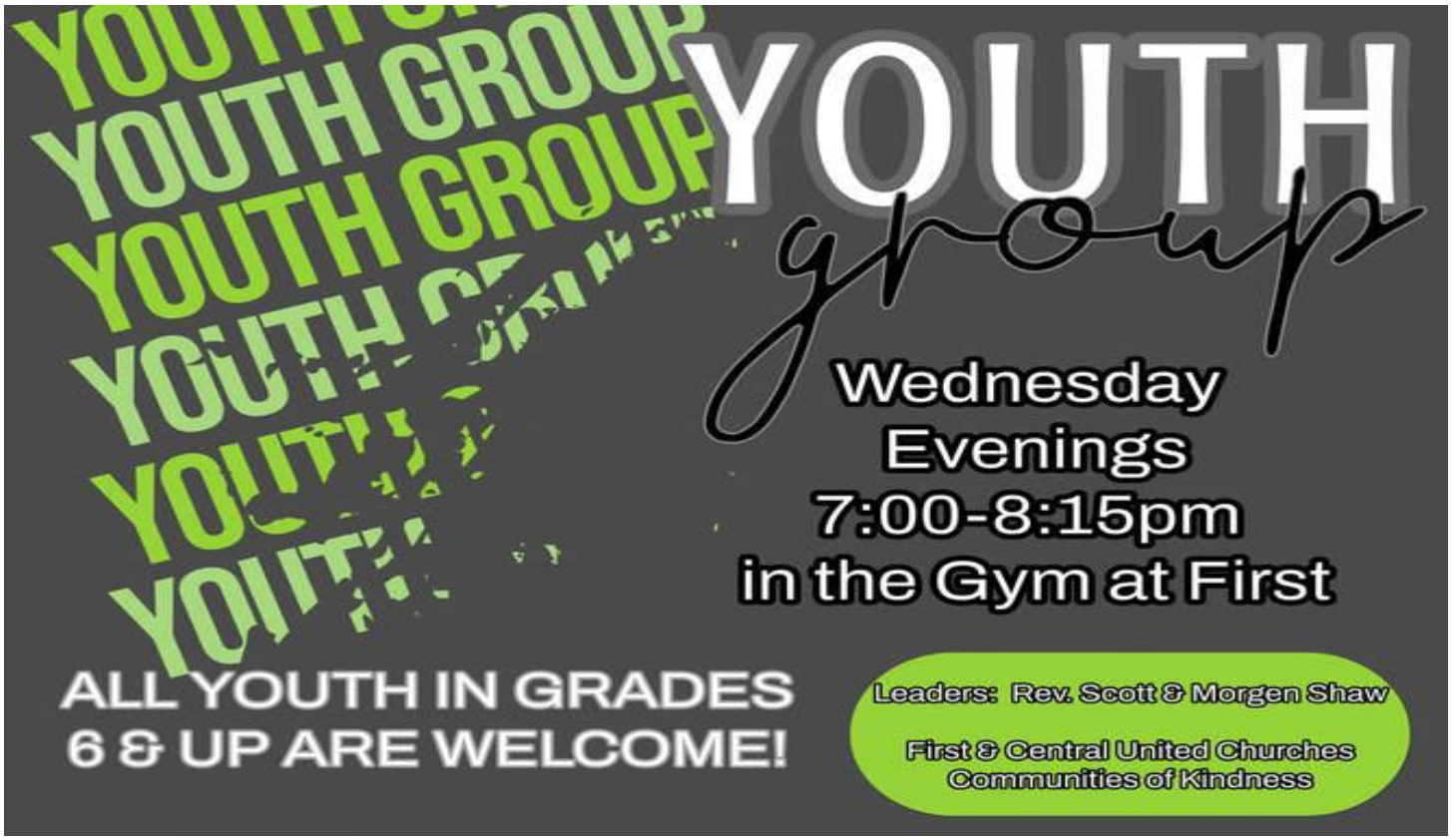

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FIRST & CENTRAL UNITED CHURCHES PRESENT...

MOVIE NIGHT

with Rev. Scott

ALL WELCOME

We hope you'll join us - and bring a friend!

HELD IN THE SANCTUARY AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH

7 Curtis St., St Thomas

Doors open at 6:30pm

Monday, November 3rd

Movie followed by discussion 7:00-9:30pm

November's Movie is:

V for Vendetta (2005)

December 1 - Juno (2007)

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* * * * MARK YOUR CALENDARS * * * *

SECRET SANTA...
& SOCKS!

NOVEMBER 2nd to 23rd

(Santa Bags will be in the Sanctuary, Sunday, November 2nd)

We're collecting:
Unwrapped Gifts (to age 12)
& Monetary Donations for Christmas Care

(Christmas Care will pick up our gifts on Monday, November 24th)

And Socks (mens, womens & childrens) for Grace Cafe!!

Please bag socks separately from your Secret Santa Gifts.

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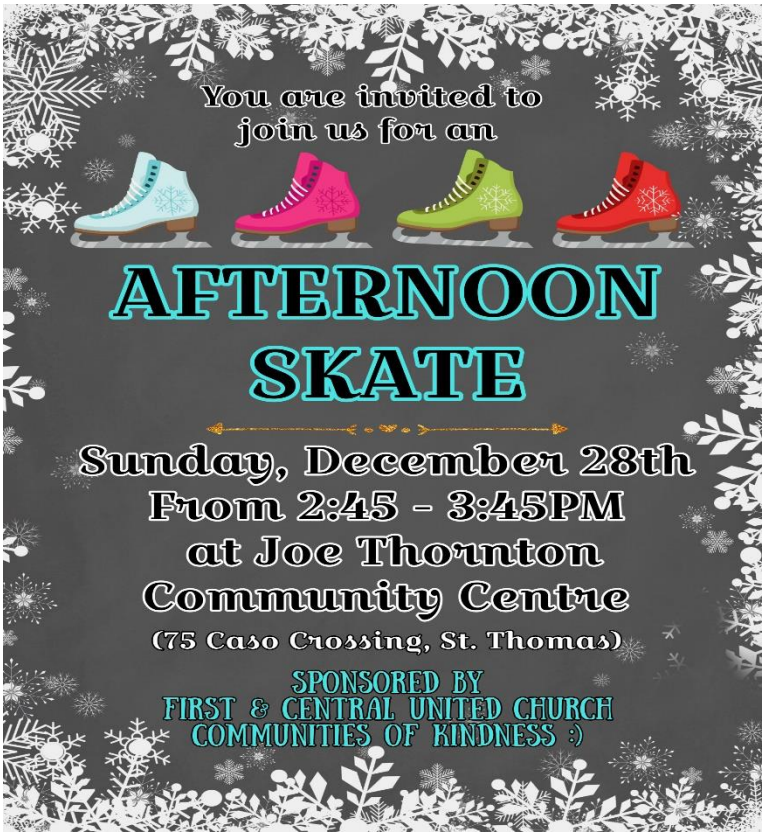

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EarlyON Child and Family Centre

DID YOU KNOW THAT EARLYON HOSTS LOTS OF DIFFERENT GROUPS HERE AT FIRST DURING THE WEEK??

THEY ARE LOCATED IN THE OLD MUSIC ROOM :)

ALL ARE WELCOME!

PROGRAM INFO CAN BE FOUND ON THEIR WEBSITE: HTTPS://WWW.YMCASWO.CA/EO-FC-ST-THOMAS

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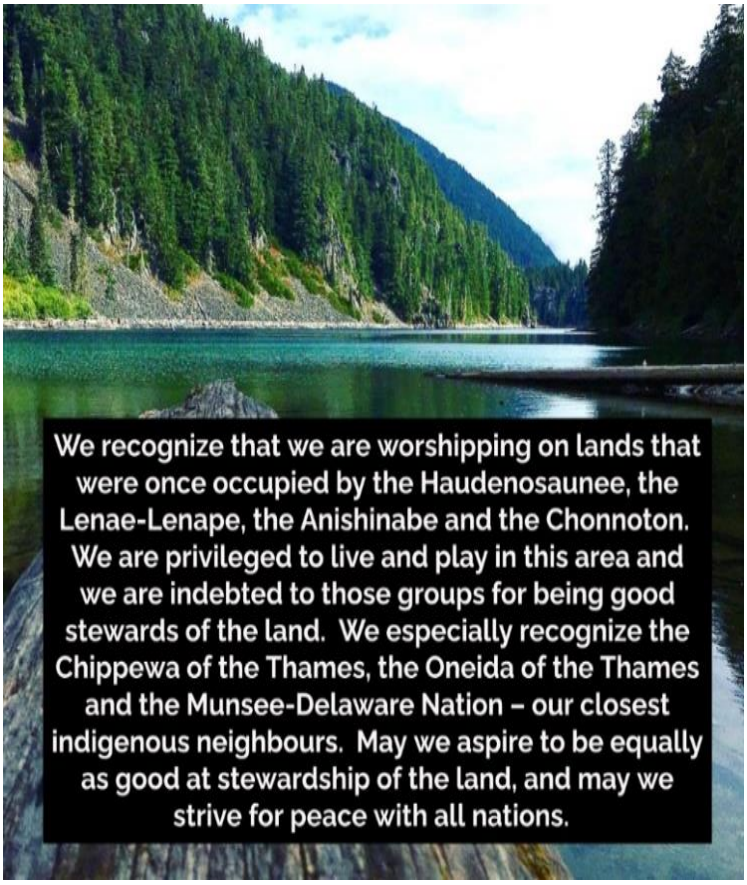

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Debit & Credit now accepted at the church!

You can make a donation through or Square machine any time the Church Office is open.

Contact Lori for more details!
office@1stunitedchurch.ca
519-631-7570 ext. 21

GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER

2 Corinthians 9:7

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SAVE YOUR POP TABS

First Church Friends!

Please save your pop tabs to help 16 year old, Dallas Reisenweber, to get a wheelchair.

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

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

weekly ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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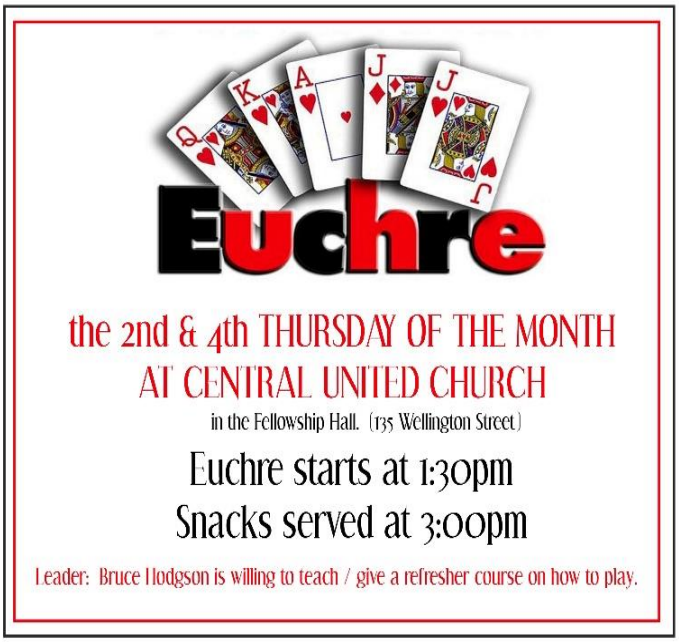

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CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH BAZAAR

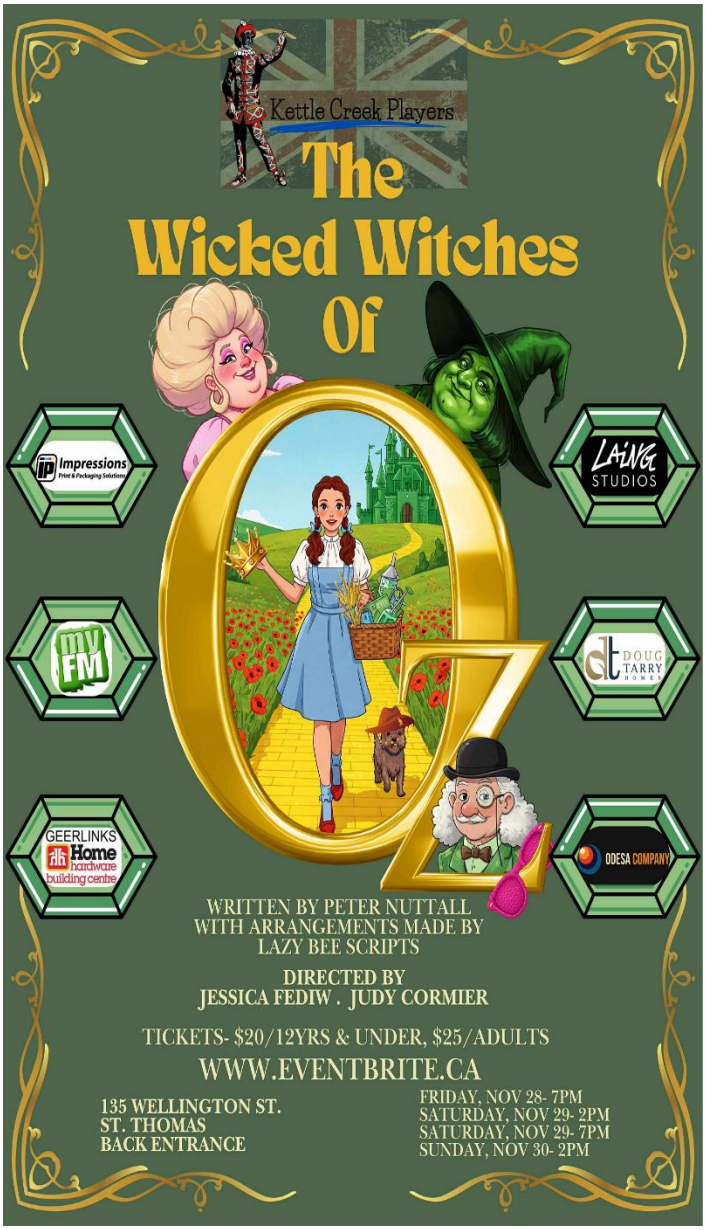
135 Wellington St., St Thomas

Wheelchair Accessible

Saturday, November 1, 2025

8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Christmas Shop, Gift Baskets, Attic Treasures,
Bake Table/Deli, Sewing & Knitting, Christmas Arrangements,
Silent Auction and Coffee Corner
Overflow parking is available at the Lifehouse (corner of Wellington and Ross Street).



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* * * * COMMUNITY EVENTS* * * * * *

St. Thomas

Community Meals

October 2025

Community Outreach Dinner Committee – 20 Flora Street
(St. Thomas Anglican Church)
Dine in meal: Friday October 17th 5:00-6:00pm
(Doors open at 4:30pm. Very limited take away meals available)

Destination Church - 668 Talbot Street
(back entrance off of Moore St. parking lot)
Stone Soup Meal (dine in meal): Thursday October 9th at 11:30 am and October 23rd at 5:30pm

Grace Café – 323 Talbot Street
Dine in or take-away meal: Mondays - Saturdays 7:00am-11:00am

Community Outreach Dinner at Horton Market– 10 Manitoba Street
(Meals provided by Harvest Hands, Community Outreach Dinner Committee, Giving Back and Holy Angels. Only 1 meal per person please)
Take away meal: Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays 5:30pm
(available while meals last)
Snack bag: Sundays 5:30pm (available while meals last)

Salvation Army – 380 Elm Street
Bowlful & Bites Bistro (dine in only): Wednesday October 15th, 12:00pm-1:00pm

Salvation Army Mobilize – corner of Moore Street and Talbot Street
Truck providing meal
Street ministries and meal delivery: Mondays, 5:15pm

St. Thomas Islamic Centre – 55 Southwick Street
Take-away meal: Sunday October 19th 4:30-5:30pm

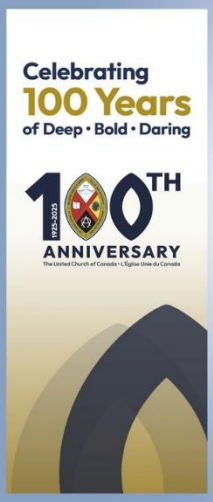
FOOD PROVIDERS NETWORK ELGIN ST THOMAS

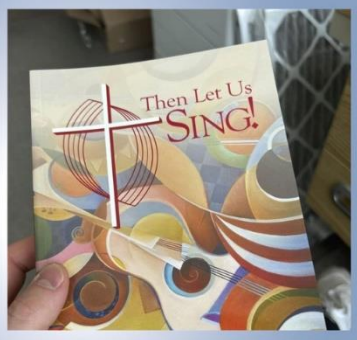
Note: Meals are free, unless there is a price listed.
Meal times may end early if meals run out (first come, first served).

This is Your Invitation...

Moving Forward in Song!

Come and Sing! A free event celebrating 100 Years of Great Hymns, and an introduction to "Then Let Us Sing", the new United Church of Canada hymn supplement





Sunday, October 5, 2:30–3:30 pm

Sponsored by Calvary, Riverside, Wesley-Knox, White Oaks United Churches | Hosted by Wesley-Knox

Wesley-Knox United Church,
91 Askin Street, London, ON N6E 1E7
519.673.4803 | www.wesleyknox.com

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