

## First United Church

Swift Current, SK

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### Radio Broadcasts

of our worship services can be heard on the  
third Sunday of the month

at **11:00 am** on **Radio CKSW 570**

(next broadcast is February 19th)

If you would like to sponsor a broadcast,  
please contact the church office. Cost \$130.

### News Bulletin from the UCW

The UCW is considering disbandment.

A vote will be held on March 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.  
at the church in the Cypress Lounge.

### Sunday School Coordinator

With regret, we have accepted the resignation of  
Jackie Ravino-Orola effective February 19.

Her 10 years of service to our congregation will be recognized  
with coffee and cake after Sunday worship  
on February 12.

## Sunday, February 5, 2023

A warm welcome to all  
who are worshipping with us today!  
Whether you are joining us in person  
or watching via livestream  
please know, you are a part of our family.

### Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- Sunday, February 5 – Worship & Music, 1:00 p.m.  
by Zoom.
- Monday, February 6 – Earthcare Partners,  
7:00 p.m. by Zoom.
- Tuesday, February 7 – Social Convenors,  
10:00 a.m. in the Cypress Lounge.
- Tuesday, February 7 – Winter Book Study,  
2:00 p.m. by Zoom.
- Tuesday, February 7 – Ministry & Personnel,  
7:00 p.m. in the Chinook room.
- Wednesday, February 8 – Lectionary Bible Study,  
9:30 a.m. by Zoom.
- Wednesday, February 8 – Boutique & Garage  
Sales, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 8 – Creation Station,  
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Creative Art Space.
- Wednesday, February 8 – Choir Practice,  
7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- Thursday, February 9 – Coffee Time,  
10:30 a.m. in the Cypress Lounge.

### Recordings

of past Sunday services  
are available on the [church website](#).

## Outreach Refugee Sponsorship Supper and Silent Auction

**Saturday, February 11, 2023  
has been CANCELLED.**

Please contact the church office to arrange  
a refund on your supper tickets.

The Refugee Sponsorship Working Group is  
planning to hold the auction at a later date and  
is still accepting additional items.

## Friday Matinees

will resume on Feb. 24 in anticipation  
of Annette's annual Lenten Movie Series.

## Lenten Study

This year's Lenten Study will take place  
on Tuesdays from 2-3:30pm beginning February 28<sup>th</sup>.  
Please watch this space for more details!

## Ministerial Association

### \$500 Peace Prize

Please let your Grade 12 graduating students know that  
there is a scholarship available from the Swift Current Area  
Ministerial Association. The application process for this  
scholarship is handled through the Swift Current Comp High  
School (SCCHS). **The deadline for applications is March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
at 3:30pm.**

## Annual General Meeting

**Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup>**

Potluck Lunch after the worship service  
with meeting to follow.

Annual Reports will be available  
by February 15th

### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that at the time of Confederation the number of Indigenous  
People far outnumbered those who were settlers from Europe?

Did you know that when Europeans came to what would become Canada,  
they found complex and organized Indigenous societies with their own  
systems of government, legal orders, and family and kinship systems?

Canada was born as a federation, which divided power between a federal  
government and provincial governments. But Indigenous governments - and  
(their) laws, jurisdictions, and authorities - were ignored, creating a massive  
and enduring obstacle for Indigenous Peoples. Indeed, not only were (they)  
and (their) governments left out, but the experience of the founding of  
Canada was an intensification and a deepening of colonization and  
oppression. pp43, 45 True Reconciliation: How to be a Force for Change by  
Jody Wilson-Raybould

## Membership Classes

We are looking for people who are interested in joining a  
membership class. The group is open to anyone who:

- is already a member of First United,
- is considering being a member, or
- is just interested in exploring their faith.

If you are interested please contact Annette.