Announcements Sunday, April 28, 2024

First United Church Swift Current, SK

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Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- Tuesday, April 30 Social Convenors, 10:00 a.m. in the Cypress Lounge
- Wednesday, May 1 Lectionary Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. in the Chinook Room and on Zoom
- Wednesday, May 1 Boutique & Garage Sales, 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, May 1 Creation Station, 1:00 p.m. in Creative Art Space
- Wednesday, May 1 Choir practice, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, May 2 Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m. in Cypress Lounge

First United Church Plant, Muffin & Bake Sale

Saturday, May 11th, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Muffin & Tea/Coffee Service \$5

Donations of indoor & outdoor plants and/or assorted baking are welcomed and much appreciated.

Please drop off plants and baking the day before the sale.

Ladies Day at Camp Gull Lake

Knox United Church in Gull Lake, SK (4175 Price Avenue)
Tuesday, June 11, 2024

"People are like a bouquet of flowers"

10:00 am to 4:00 pm - \$20 per person (includes lunch)

Sign up in the church office by Friday, June 7th.

Camping Sunday

April 28th is Camping Sunday and, at this time, we are inviting you to make **a special donation** to Camp Shagabec's amazing youth ministry. There will be envelopes in the pews, or you can give by e-transfer or leave your donation in the church office.

Please make your cheque out to First United. Thanks for your generosity!

We need Cookies!!

Camp Shagabec has asked us if we could donate **30 pails of cookies** this year.

(chocolate chip cookies are a favourite!)

Please contact the church office if you can help out.

Due date is Friday, June 14th.

We have some ice creams pails at the church if you need one. Thank you!!

Red Dress Day

Red Dress Awareness Southwest has collected red dresses

to display on trees throughout the city May 2-6, 2024.

Red Dress Day (May 5) is also known as the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and Two-Spirit People (MMIWG2S).

You also are invited to join in by hanging red dresses outside your homes, organizations and businesses, putting an image of a red dress in your windows or wearing red.

On **Saturday May 4**th there will be a

MMIWG2S Presentation and Beading Workshop at the library.

For more information please go to <u>Red Dress Awareness Southwest | Facebook</u>
To obtain resources (links & posters) go to

First United Church » Red Dress Day (firstunitedsc.ca)

Summer Meal Program

Social Conveners and Outreach Committee are participating in the Summer Meal Program as it enters its 2nd year through the coordination of Swift Link. We are providing

30 meals and a minimum of 15 dozen muffins

to cover one full week of nourishment to families that are having a difficult time.

The meals are already being made and frozen.

They will be distributed through the Family Resource Centre.

We are asking the congregation for **monetary donations** (receipts provided)

to help cover the cost of the groceries. We are also asking for **volunteers to bake muffins**.

You can donate by cash, cheque or through e-transfer through the church office.

Thank you for helping us feed hungry children in our community.

Baked Items for CMHA

You are invited to bring baked items for CMHA to the church on

Monday, April 29th or Tuesday, April 30th Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to noon & 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

They are looking for any kind of baking such as cookies, muffins, pies, dainties, tarts or cakes.

If you are not a baker but would still like to help out,

granola bars, Ziploc sandwich baggies, and individual portions of pudding, yogurt and breakfast oatmeal are also appreciated.

CMHA would also appreciate donations of plastic containers (sour cream or yogurt) to send home leftover food with their clients. 500 ml and 750 ml containers work the best.

Hearing Assist Devices

are available at the soundboard
(located at the center back of the sanctuary)
in order that all might participate in our worship service.
If you would like to try out one of these devices
please feel free to approach our sound technician
or one of the ushers.

A BIG THANK YOU

to Judy Killaby, Janet Keene, Rose Lis and everyone who helped and supported our April 14th **Spring Ham Fundraiser Supper**. We sold 151 tickets (59 takeouts and 92 tickets in the gym). Our net profit was **\$2,760.26** which goes to the church's general fund.

The **Living Wall Planting Project** will be taking place in the last week of May and we are looking for the following donations:

- small bags of topsoil
- small bags of compost
- bright colours of spray paint that will adhere to plastic
- 4 liter vinegar jugs to be used for plant pots

The vinegar jugs and paint may be left in the kitchen.

The topsoil and compost can be left behind the wall.

We are also looking for a couple of small outdoor chairs or a small bench to be used for seating in the outdoor meditation room.

Thank you!

Earthcare partners

DID YOU KNOW?

Canadians use an average of 335 litres of water per person per day - equal to 670 water bottles. The two largest contributors are bathing and showering and toilets. Major reductions can be achieved by simply taking fewer, shorter showers and not running water unnecessarily. Install low flow shower heads and duo flush toilets. Fill a water jug and keep it in the fridge. Give it up for the earth!