

Announcements

Sunday, March 30, 2025

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Our Mission Statement

We at First United Church
guided by the Spirit, are striving to be an
Open and Diverse Community of Faith.
Through words and action we pursue the values of
Spiritual Growth,
Compassionate Outreach,
Social Justice and Care of the Earth.

Upcoming Meetings & Activities

- Friday, March 28 – Lenten Movie Series – *Wicked*, 1:30 p.m. (note earlier time) in the Burnham Room
- Tuesday, April 1 – Social Convenors – 10:00 a.m. in the Chinook room
- Tuesday, April 1 – Lenten Study, 2:00 p.m. in the Chinook room and on Zoom
- Wednesday, April 2 – Lectionary Bible Study – 10:00 a.m. in the Chinook Room and on Zoom
- Wednesday, April 2 - Boutique & Garage Sales, 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, April 2 – Creation Station, 1:00 p.m. in the Creative Art Space
- Wednesday, April 2 – Choir practice, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, April 3 – Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m. in Cypress Lounge
- Friday, April 4 – Lenten Movie Series – *I'm Still Here*, 2:00 p.m. in the Burnham Room
- Sunday, April 6 – Volunteer Appreciation Sunday

Thank You

to everyone who made pies and/or attended the
PIE Day Event at the Pride Centre
We helped to raise \$793 for the Centre.

A BIG THANK YOU

to Judy Killaby, Rose Lis and everyone who helped
and supported our March 23rd **Spring Ham Fundraiser Supper**.
We sold 151 tickets (57 takeouts and 94 tickets in the gym).
Our net profit was **\$2,746.85** which goes to the church's general fund.

Friday Matinee - Movies for Lent!

Friday afternoons come to the Burnham Room
to watch the Oscar-nominated movies that Annette
will talk about in her sermon the following Sunday.
Mar. 28 at 1:30 p.m. – *Wicked* (note earlier time!)
Apr. 4 at 2 p.m. – *I'm Still Here*

Ministerial Lenten Services

at Christ the Redeemer Roman Catholic Church
Thursday 12:00 p.m. worship
followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m. (silver collection)

Date	Worship Leader
April 3	St. Olaf Lutheran
April 10	St. Stephen's Anglican

Lenten Pigs (M&S Givings)

During Lent, many of us are reminded once again
to examine our lifestyles and ask, "What can we do for others?"
Lent is a good time to commit to giving money to a project
that helps those in need like the Mission and Service Fund.
As a congregation, watch for a special M&S envelope
in your Easter Letter.

As a Sunday School, parents are encouraged to involve
the whole family by setting up a piggy bank (Lenten Pig) to
collect coins during the season of Lent. Please sign out your
Lenten piggy bank with the Sunday School or office to encourage youth involvement.
Please return envelopes and pigs by April 25th (the Friday following Easter).



Potluck for Patti

Sunday, March 30, 2025 (following the service)

Come and join with us as we
thank Patti for 20 years of service to First United Church and
wish her well in her retirement.

The Centennial of the United Church of Canada

How can you take part in the celebration?

- **100 Years Worship Service at First United – Sunday June 8th at 10:30am**
 - Come and celebrate with us!
 - Talk to Annette if you would like to be a part of the planning,
- **Share Your Stories**
 - We want your stories about your life in any of the United Churches that you attended, and in particular, your stories about First United.
 - Each Sunday this spring we will have your stories and reminiscences read out during the Minute for Mission time.
 - We want these to be short, just a couple of paragraphs or maybe just a few sentences like: I remember the time that..... Or I remember the day that.....
 - If you are able, type them up on your computer and send them to Rhonda at the church office. If you can't do that, write them out legibly and bring them into the office in an envelope marked clearly with your name and the subject of your story.
- **Display Your Memorabilia**
 - We are also collecting articles for displays that will be shown for 2 or 3 weeks just on Sundays. Please bring your items to the church office.
 - Individual photographs should be mounted onto paper, marked clearly with your name, the subject of the photo and the names of people in the photo displayed.
 - Other items, such as books, bulletins, certificates, bibles, music, need to have your name on them and placed in envelopes or boxes that indicate what display it might be for, such as UCW, Sunday school, P.C.T.C. , Camp etc.

If you have questions or suggestions or would like to help with the stories or displays, please call Norma Hain at 306 773 3231.

The success of our celebrating and remembering depends on you!

Summer Meal Program

The Social Conveners and Outreach Committee are participating in the Summer Meal Program as it enters its 3rd year through the coordination of Swift Link.

We are providing **30 family-sized 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 being made in mid-April and frozen.

They will be distributed through the Family Resource Centre the first week of July.

We are asking the congregation for **monetary donations** (receipts provided) to help cover the cost of the groceries and fresh fruit.

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.

DID YOU KNOW?

Heat - Turn your thermostat down one degree and make a habit to put on a sweater instead of turning up the heat. Consider installing a ceiling fan for better heat circulation and more efficient cooling.