Announcements Sunday, May 4, 2025

First United Church Swift Current, SK

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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

- Tuesday, May 6 Social Convenors, 10:00 a.m. in the Chinook Room
- Tuesday, May 6 Building and Property, 7:00 p.m. in the Chinook Room
- Wednesday, May 7 Lectionary Bible Study 10:00 a.m. in the Chinook Room and on Zoom
- Wednesday, May 7 Boutique & Garage Sales, 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, May 7 Creation Station, 1:00 p.m. in the Creative Art Space
- Wednesday, May 7 Choir practice, 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary
- Thursday, May 8 Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m. in Cypress Lounge
- Thursday, May 8 Affirming Ministry, 1:00 p.m. in the Chinook Room
- Thursday, May 8 Refugee Sponsorship, 6:30 p.m. Chinook room and on Zoom
- Saturday, May 10 Plant, Muffin and Bake Sale, 9:30 a.m. in the Gym

First United Church Plant, Muffin & Bake Sale

Saturday, May 10th, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Muffin & Tea/Coffee Service \$5

Donations of indoor & outdoor plants, muffins and baking are welcomed and much appreciated.

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

Please note: the Garage and 3rd Ave Boutique rooms will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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 have been made 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.

Lost Ring

A diamond ring may have been lost somewhere in the church building. If you find a ring, please return it to the church office.

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.
- o 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!

DID YOU KNOW? GREENSPIRIT CHAPLAINCY

GreenSpirit Chaplaincy is a new ministry of the Living Skies Region of The United Church of Canada, nested within Grosvenor Park United Church in Saskatoon (Treaty Six Territory). While rooted in the prairies, this ministry connects online with folks across Turtle Island, in the UK and Europe, and beyond.

The mission of this Chaplaincy is to support all who are practicing or exploring any form of ecological spirituality, and to help us connect with the Spirit, with Mother Earth, and with all our relations (human and more-than-human). The GreenSpirit Chaplain is Shawn Sanford Beck, who can be reached at greenpriest@hotmail.ca or 306 441 6367 or https://linktr.ee/greenpriest.