



Weekly Update from First – April 6/23

Join us Friday at 10:30am at First United for our Joint Good Friday Worship Service! All are welcome!

Join us at First United Church
for a JOINT

GOOD FRIDAY

service

April 7th at 10:30am
ALL ARE WELCOME

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Sharron Ruppel
Bert Donaldson
Diane Irwin
Betty Lou Donaldson
Gene Whiteman
Rowan Gougeon



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Everyone is invited to join us Easter Sunday at **9:30am** for our Easter Celebration!

REMEMBER to bring a BUTTERFLY to church with you (dollar store finds or handmade are perfect!). When you enter the sanctuary we will have friends there to direct you and we'll decorate the cross before worship!

Join Us For Worship



*Easter Sunday
April*

**9th
Special
Time:
9:30am**

Rev. Paul will lead
the service.

Sermon: Rev. Paul
"Flinging Back the Stone"

Join us for lots of special music!

**Bring a BUTTERFLY to
decorate the cross!**

Scripture Reading(s): Mark 16:1-8

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If you'd prefer, join us ONLINE for Worship,
here is the Streaming Link for April 9th:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4jMON6PuNO>

or join us on our Facebook Page:
www.facebook.com/firstunitedchurch

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THE 2022 ANNUAL REPORTS

have been emailed out. If you would like a hard copy they are available at the doors at the front of the Sanctuary.



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Legacy Financial Planning Workshop

April 11, 2023 @ 6:30pm

Please note change in date!

Do you have favourite charities to which you contribute?
Would you like to see that giving continue into the future?

On Tuesday April 11 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a Legacy Information Session at First United (please note the new date.)

As an added bonus, dessert and drinks will be served.



Hilary Vaughan

Barrister & Solicitor
specializing in wills,
estates, trusts



Brett Fox

CFP,
Associate Advisor,
Manulife Securities

Call (519-631-7570 ext. 21) or email (office@1stunitedchurch.ca) to reserve your space.

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WEDNESDAYS
7 TO 8:15 PM

YOUTH
group

For Youth in Grades 6-12!

ALL YOUTH WELCOME

Led by Chris Ross & Austin Campbell

First & Central United Churches
Communities of Kindness

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**Choir meets on
Thursday Evenings!**

7:30pm

New voices always
welcome!

Led by our Music Minister
Jody McDonald-Groulx!

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First United Church **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** *Sunday, April 16th @ 11:30am*



The Meeting will be held following the worship service.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Join our Earth Day
clean-up crew and help us make the Railway City shine.



Saturday, April 22nd - 3:30-5pm

at Central United Church

Please sign-up online, or in-person at First or Central United Church!

Google Form sign up link: <https://forms.gle/wXCovj9GguaTxaz86>

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The Food Providers Group is an assembly of individuals and organizations who serve those in our community with food security. Think the Grace Cafe, Harvest Hands, Cheryl Muma, Holy Angels, St Thomas Anglican Church's community dinners and so forth. If you would be interested in joining this group or helping out in some fashion, please contact Richard Auckland.

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YATS Forum 2023: Surface Pressure

April 28th to April 30th for Ages 18 and Up

REGISTER NOW

WHO: Adults 18+
WHEN: 7pm April 28-12pm April 30
WHERE: Lambton Centre, 6602 Lakeshore Road, Forest Lambton Shores.
GUEST SPEAKERS: Kenji Marui, Doug Peck, and Marilyn Arthur

YAT FORUM 2023 PRESENTS:
SURFACE PRESSURE

Do you love to be **inspired**, challenged to think, **meet new people** & hang out with good friends??? Do you enjoy being in an **open & welcoming community** where you are free to be completely yourself? Faith, fellowship and connection is what YAT Forum is all about.

Register by April 14 at

https://regionalcouncil789.formstack.com/forms/yats_retreat

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THE ENNIS SISTERS

**The Princess Playhouse /
Elgin Theatre Presents**



Retirees'
Special!

Monday, May 8 @ 2:30pm

The Ennis Sisters, from Newfoundland, are an internationally renowned Celtic group, always of sell-out caliber. They are Juno award winners and have performed with The Chieftains. They also represented the Canadian government in France for the D-Day celebrations.

**For tickets (or more information), please contact:
Dave McCormack at the Elgin Theatre (519-719-6885)
Anne Lounsbury at Central United Church (519-631-7185)
Austin Campbell at First United Church (519-631-7570 ext. 23)**

**Tickets are
\$35**

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**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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Website: www.1stunitedchurch.ca

On Facebook: [firstunitedchurch](https://www.facebook.com/firstunitedchurch)

On Instagram: [@firstunited1834](https://www.instagram.com/firstunited1834)

On Twitter: [@FirstUnitedStT](https://twitter.com/FirstUnitedStT)

On YouTube: [First United Church, St. Thomas](https://www.youtube.com/FirstUnitedChurchStThomas)



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