



Weekly Update from First – February 22, 2024

As of Thursday our Number is 89!!

Let's pick up the pace & reach our goal of 250 by the end of February!!! I know we can do it!!!

LET'S SPREAD SOME KINDNESS FIRST CHURCH FRIENDS!



Once you've spread all the kindness you can think of, submit your 'Act(s) of Kindness' on our website (www.1stunitedchurch.ca) or email them to me in the Church Office (office@1stunitedchurch.ca) and I'll add them to our ever-growing list on the Website!

* *Kindness* * *Respect* * *Fairness* *

Join us for

Worship



AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH

Sunday,
February 25th
LENT 2

9:30 am

Rev. Paul will lead worship.

Mike Hardman will be the
Worship Leader.

The Band will lead the music.

Scripture: Mark 1:29-39
Mark 6:2-6

ALL ARE WELCOME

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CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL STUDY

THIS LENTEN DEVOTIONAL INVITES US
TO DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR CREATION
AND TAKE ACTION OR FAST FOR A
CLIMATE IN CRISIS. INCLUDES A
STUDY GUIDE.

WEDNESDAYS



LED BY: KATHRYN FLETCHER

1:00PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

7:30PM | ONLINE - ZOOM

Contact Kathryn Fletcher at fletcherfamily@rogers.com or
519-633-1902 for a softcover book or the Zoom link.
Ebooks available at <https://united-church.ca/united-church-bookstore>.

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YOUTH
group

NO YOUTH GROUP THIS WEEK (Feb 28)! Youth Group resumes Wed., March 6th

7:00 - 8:15pm in the Gym at First

Youth in Grades 6-12 welcome!

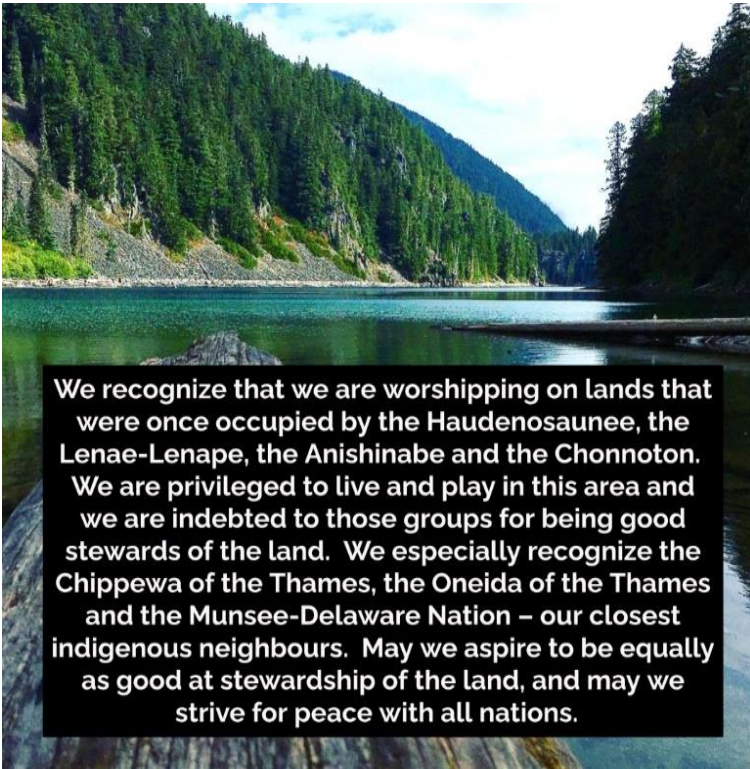
Leaders: Chris Ross & Teah Welch

First & Central United Churches
Communities of Kindness

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We recognize that we are worshipping on lands that were once occupied by the Haudenosaunee, the Lenae-Lenape, the Anishinabe and the Chonnoton. We are privileged to live and play in this area and we are indebted to those groups for being good stewards of the land. We especially recognize the Chippewa of the Thames, the Oneida of the Thames and the Munsee-Delaware Nation – our closest indigenous neighbours. May we aspire to be equally as good at stewardship of the land, and may we strive for peace with all nations.



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**FIRST
WORSHIP**

Band

LOVE TO SING??

NEW VOICES ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

**PRACTICES ARE THURSDAY
EVENINGS AT 7:30PM**

JOIN US!!

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FIRST & CENTRAL PRESENT...

Table
TRIVIA
Fundraiser

ALL AGES!!

MARCH 2, 2024
AT CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH
135 WELLINGTON ST., ST. THOMAS

50/50 DRAW

**DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM
GAME STARTS AT 7:00PM**

**WIN TROPHIES, GIFT CARDS & DOOR PRIZES!
FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE – CASH BAR!**

#20 PERSON | #120 PER TABLE (6)

FOR TICKETS: WWW.1STUNITEDCHURCH.CA OR WWW.CENTRALUC.CA
A COMMUNITIES OF KINDNESS EVENT!

JOINT TABLE TRIVIA FUNDRAISER

First only has 22 tickets left for the Trivia Night and we'd like to SELL OUT!! (Each Church will receive the money from the tickets they sell!)

Invite your family/friends!!! Let's have some FUN First Church!

GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY- Sign up through the Church Office or on the sheet in the Sanctuary on Sunday!

Kind people have the most fun so let's have a good time.

This is a 'Communities of Kindness' project!

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Our own Kevin Jackson is the General Manager at the Elgin Business Resource Centre and they are hosting an Ennis Sisters Concert at the Princess Playhouse Theatre to Celebrate International Women's Day on March 6! Everyone is invited to attend! Tickets are \$50.

Save the Date!



ELGIN
BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTRE

A Community Futures Development Corporation



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Celebration

Celebrate International Women's Day with the Ennis Sisters, Juno Award Winners.

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

at the Princess Playhouse theatre.

Tickets are \$50 which includes the show, conversation with the band and appetizers by Catering By James Meadows.

Purchase your tickets now on Eventbrite. Cash bar available.

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First United Church is hosting a...



Tuesday, April 9, 2024

**Doors open @ 6:00 p.m.
Auction starts @ 7:00 p.m.**

TICKETS: \$5 each

Includes Admission & 2 Bidding Paddles

Extra Paddles are \$2 each

Please bring your own quarters!

Light refreshments and snacks available to purchase

7 Curtis Street, St. Thomas (corner of Talbot and St. George)
Call: 519-631-7570 for more details

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First Church Friends!
Please save your POP TABS to help a little girl named McKenna ("Smiley"), who has cerebral palsy, get a new wheelchair!



There is a container in the Fellowship (Coffee) Room to collect your donations.

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Rev. Paul Browning

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Rev. Paul's drop in hours at First are Mondays from 9:30am to 2pm. Other times are available by Appointment.

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First United Church,
St. Thomas

2023 Tax Receipts have been mailed



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*Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry of First United Church!
Your gifts make a difference in the lives of others!!*



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