



Weekly Update from First – January 25, 2024

Join us for  
*Worship*



**AT FIRST UNITED CHURCH**

Sunday,  
January  
28th  
9:30 am

Rev. Paul will lead worship.  
Richard Auckland will be the  
Worship Leader.  
The Band will lead the music.  
Scripture: Mark 1:21-28

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

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

# Official Board MEETING



Monday, January 29th @ 6:30pm

Music Room at First United

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## All About MAID

Julie Campbell MBA, MN, NP (PHC)  
Manager Patient Services - MAID  
Home & Community Care South West

January 29, 2024  
St. Hilda's St. Luke's Church  
185 Elm Street  
St. Thomas  
7-8 pm

On January 29 St. Hilda's St. Luke's Anglican Church will be hosting a presentation "All About MAID". This is a very hot end-of-life topic that many people have questions about. We invite interested members of your Congregation to attend the presentation. All welcome.

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

# YOUTH

*group*

For Youth in Grades 6-12!

ALL YOUTH WELCOME!

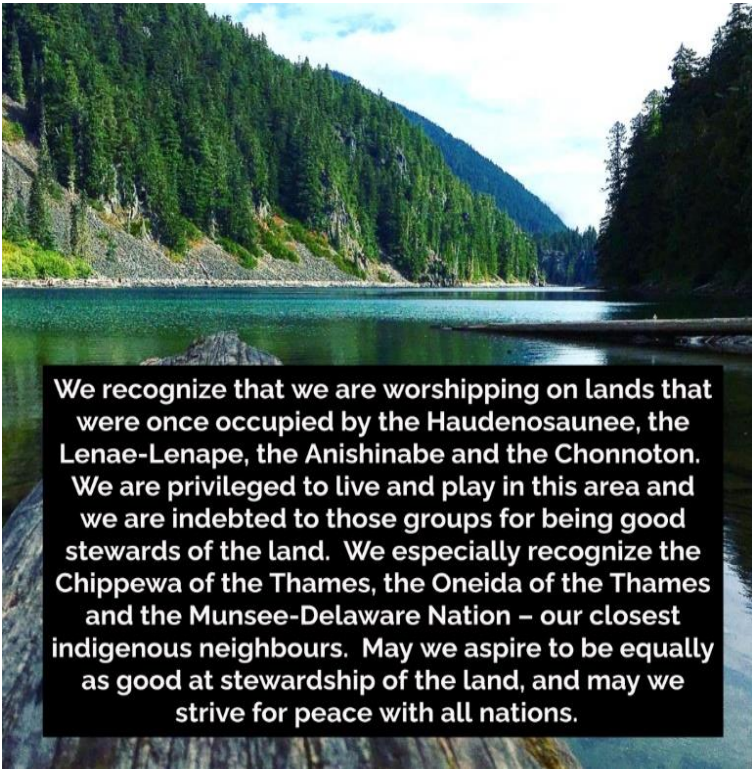
Leaders: Chris Ross & Teah Welch

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 United Church presents...  
A Communities of Kindness Project!

**RANDOM  
ACTS**  
*of Kindness*  
**CHALLENGE!**

Lets **BE KIND**  
and have  
some **FUN** in  
the process!!

Random Acts of Kindness Week 2024 is February 13-19th!  
Let's try to Achieve 250 Random Acts of Kindness before the 19th!!!

Here's how it works! Do something **KIND** and then go to our website ([1stunitedchurch.ca](http://1stunitedchurch.ca)) and submit your R.A.O.K. - we'll post it on our website (no names) and see if we can reach 250 by the 19th!

Share with family & friends!! **LET'S SPREAD SOME KINDNESS!!**

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CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH PRESENTS

**LENTEN**

# DEVOTIONAL STUDY

**WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING  
FEBRUARY 21ST**

LED BY: KATHRYN FLETCHER

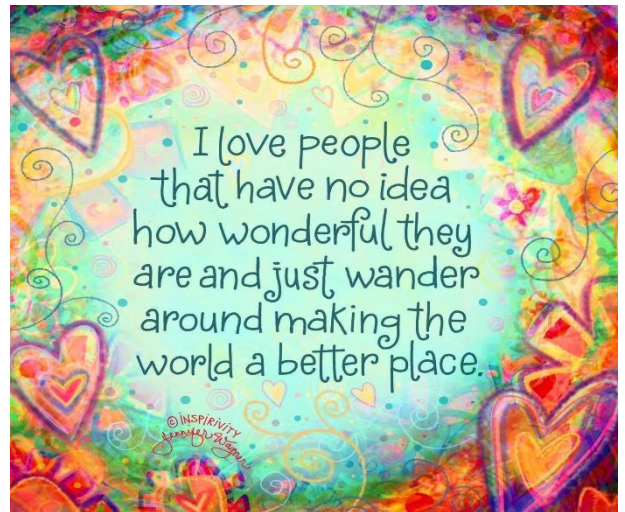
**1:00PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**7:30PM | ONLINE - ZOOM**



Contact Kathryn Fletcher at [fletcherfamily@rogers.com](mailto:fletcherfamily@rogers.com) or 519-633-1902 to purchase a softcover book (by Feb. 4th) or for Zoom link. Ebooks available at <https://united-church.ca/united-church-bookstore>.

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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](http://WWW.1STUNITEDCHURCH.CA) OR [WWW.CENTRALUC.CA](http://WWW.CENTRALUC.CA)  
A COMMUNITIES OF KINDNESS EVENT!

## Join First & Central for a TABLE TRIVIA FUNDRAISER

Each Church will receive the money from the tickets they sell!  
Twice the money with half the volunteers!!

HINT: questions are geared for a wide age range so having different ages at your table will be helpful. So bring your friends, children and grandchildren and make up a table.

**Sign up and pay in the Church Office!**

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

**This is a 'Communities of Kindness' project!**

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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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# First United Church

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

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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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