



Weekly Update from First – July 5/23

# Join Us For Worship



*Sunday,*  
*July*  
**9th**

**10:30am**

Sherry Johnstone & Joyce Szusz will lead the service.

Message:  
"Finding Joy IN the Journey"

Jody & Jerome will lead the music.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

*\*Kindness\**

*\*Respect\**

*\*Fairness\**

**JOIN US FOR OUR JOINT  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30AM!**

**WE  
OFFER:**



**WE ALSO OFFER COMMUNION  
EVERY SUNDAY FOR THOSE  
WHO WISH TO PARTAKE.**

**IN JULY WE  
WORSHIP AT  
FIRST & IN  
AUGUST WE  
WORSHIP AT  
CENTRAL!**

**WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US!**

**FIRST & CENTRAL UNITED CHURCHES**

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We are looking for someone special to join our team of Sunday Kids Camp Leaders!

# Sunday Kids Camp



\*Also looking for Nursery helpers!  
A Police Check is required for this job as well.

If you think you'd be a good fit email the church office ([office@1stunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@1stunitedchurch.ca)) or Karen Auckland ([27swifty@gmail.com](mailto:27swifty@gmail.com)).  
A Police Check is required.

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*\*Fairness\**

Rev. Paul is on  
vacation.

He returns Sunday, July 23rd!

If you have a Pastoral Emergency  
please contact Rev. John Brown,  
519 633 3894

## VACATION

Lori is on VACATION  
from Thursday, July 6th  
to  
Sunday, July 16th  
inclusive.

Office reopens  
Monday, July 17th  
@ 9am!

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Join us for  
**Seniors' Day  
In The Park**

Wednesday July 12, 2023  
PINAFORE PARK - DANCE PAVILION  
RAIN OR SHINE

**Entertainment 10 am - 2 pm**

- 10 am Thursday Special (Country)
- 10:30 - Carol Lang (Gaither Style Gospel)
- 11 am - McDonald Family (50's, 60's, Classic)
- 11:30 - No Worries (musicians from the Seniors' Centre)
- 12 pm - Official Welcome from local dignitaries
- 12:30 pm - May Kin Music Band  
(Country / 50's & 60's / Latin / Waltzes & Polkas)

**Car Show / Vendor Displays / Food Available**

Sponsored by the City Of St Thomas & County Of Elgin

**Inquiries**

**Text, Call or Email**

**519 633 7222 - info@studioartsmusic.com**

**YOU MET THE CHALLENGE  
FOR INDWELL IN RECORD  
TIME FIRST CHURCH!!**

**\$1250 raised  
in ONE week!!**

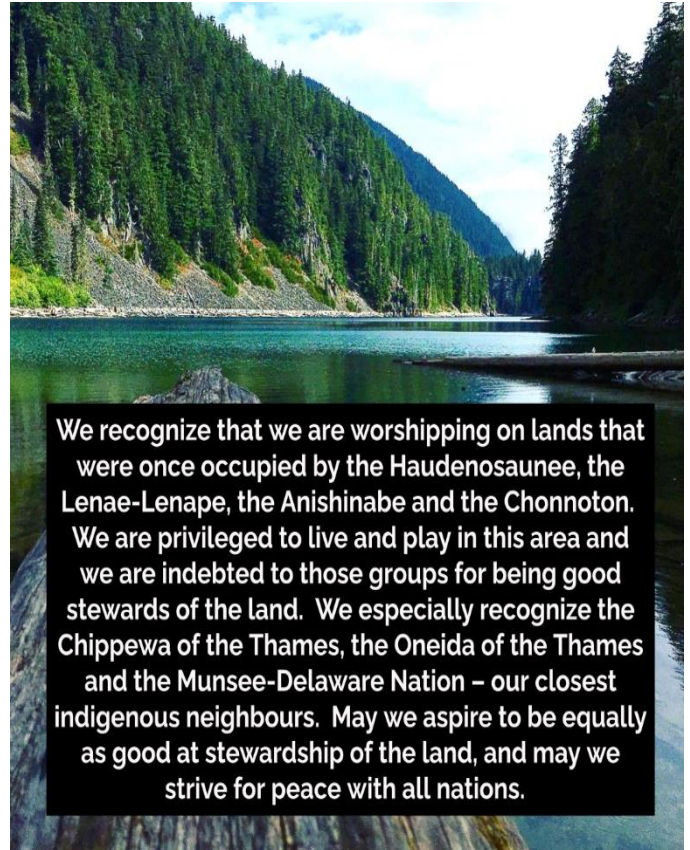
**AMAZING!!!**

**Thank you!!**

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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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## JULY WORSHIP SERVICES

Held at First Church - We welcome our Friends from Central United!

**21st** 10:30am  
Donna  
Brigan

**9th** 10:30am  
Sherry  
Johnstone &  
Joyce Szusz

10:30am  
Kevin  
Abell **16th**

10:30am  
Rev. Paul **23rd**

**30th** 10:30am  
Rev. Paul

During the month of August First Church will be closed and we will join Central United Church for Worship (In their air conditioned gym!)

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**Our Friends at Central United Church are hosting a KIDZ KARNIVAL in August!!  
Mark your Calendar!!**



**Check out the Safety House!**

**August 12TH 10 AM to 3PM  
CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH  
135 WELLINGTON ST**



**JOIN US FOR THIS FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT  
"BECAUSE COMMUNITY MATTERS"**

### WHAT TO BRING!

- Hat or Sun Shade, Lawn Chair
- Water Bottle—Free Refills at Simply Pure Water
- Loonies or Toonies for Carnival Food /No Debit/Credit Machine available



### WHAT'S HAPPENING!

- 10 AM - 3 PM "Free" Games to play and prize grab bags to be won! Ring a "Critter", Toilet Paper Toss, Bean Bag Throw, Fish Pond, Ring the Church Bell and more!
- 11 AM – 1 PM "Free" Face Painting by Dotsy's Krafty Kidz Station – "Let's get Crafty!"
- All Games & Activities are "Free"
- Music is happening too! Starting at Noon Ukulele Time, Kidz Karaoke with Austin, Camp Songs with Vicki, and a Sing-along with Martin!

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**CALLING ALL ST. Thomas/Elgin County  
Community Vendors & Yard-Salers!!!**

FIRST UNITED  
CHURCH  
PRESENTS

**VENDORFEST  
*and*  
COMMUNITY  
YARD SALES**

7 CURTIS STREET ST. THOMAS  
SATURDAY, AUG 19TH  
FROM 9AM - 1PM

OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY  
TO REGISTER (OR FOR MORE INFO)  
PLEASE CONTACT  
SHERRY JOHNSTONE  
([sjohnstone1959@gmail.com](mailto:sjohnstone1959@gmail.com))  
AUSTIN CAMPBELL  
([austin@sharedministry.ca](mailto:austin@sharedministry.ca))  
NO CHARGE TO REGISTER!  
BRING YOUR OWN TABLE AND TENT!

Register by  
Friday, July 14th  
to pick your spot  
on the lawn!

Final Day to  
Register:  
Friday, August 4th  
(your spot will be  
assigned)

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## ***First United Church***

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### ***Rev. Paul Browning, Minister***

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Drop-in Hours: Tuesdays from noon-5pm

### ***Austin Campbell, Community Engagement Co-ordinator***

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Email: austin@sharedministry.ca

### ***Lori Hoffman, Secretary/Treasurer***

Phone: 519-631-7570 ext 21 (church office)

Email: office@1stunitedchurch.ca

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*\*Respect\**

*\*Fairness\**



Check out our Website & follow us on all our Social Media platforms!

Website: [www.1stunitedchurch.ca](http://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/channel/UC...)

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