

First United Church

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Monday & Tuesday: closed
Wednesday & Thursday: 9 am – 3.30 pm
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We're able to receive bulletin info until **Thurs at 2**

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Washrooms

Upstairs: through the door to the right of the stage

Downstairs: through the exit between the coat racks

First United strives to be a **scent free** facility

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Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship: (adapted from Psalm 144)

L: Of what stature are people, LORD, that you know them?

P: What are human beings that you even consider them?

L: In the vastness of the universe, humans are like a puff of air...

P: ...and their days go by like a shadow.

Hymn: *Come In, Come In and Sit Down* VU 395

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Presence

Anthem: *I Have a Dream*

Reading: Mark 2: 28-36

Message: It's hard to be a human

Hymn: *Like a Healing Stream* MV 144

Offertory Hymn: *We Give You But Your Own* VU 542

Offertory Prayer

Sacrament of Holy Communion (yellow insert)

Hymn: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* VU 651

Blessing

Postlude

Following the service everyone is encouraged to join us downstairs for refreshments and conversation.

Our **Communion Liturgy** is on the yellow insert

First United announcements are on the lavender insert

Humber United announcements are on the blue insert

Local Memorial: In memory of Dr. Doug by Colin Simms

PAR – to keep us ‘above par’

Saturday, June 8 is Clean Up day at West Haven Camp. We are starting at 10:00 am and invite ANYONE, who can spare even an hour, with work gloves, maybe a wheelbarrow, aa whipper snipper, a sturdy lawn mower, or a Shop Vac, to please join us. Bring a lunch. Remember, that many hands make light work!

Thanks so much,
Maureen Wells

It goes without saying that our church is sustained through the support of our congregation. We are blessed by the generosity of our membership.

The summer months are coming, and it's no surprise that lower attendance because of holiday plans and commitments means a reduction in contributions. But expenses don't take vacations, so for many churches (including ours) finances are often very tight by the end of summer. If you are interested in providing consistent, week-to-week support to First United, we encourage you to take advantage of Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR).

Roughly 40% of our congregation currently gives through PAR. It's an automatic withdrawal system set up through your bank ensuring you never miss contributing, which provides a consistent and reliable source of funding for our ministry. It is absolutely secure, and you can cancel or change the amount of your donation at any time.

After today's service, Pamela & Elaine will be at a table in the vestibule to help you with the required form, along with any further information you require.

Thank you to those who are already on PAR, and also to those who are prayerfully considering it.

West Haven Camp

For those who missed the Camping Sunday service, we encourage you to help recruit campers and teen and adult volunteers to come to camp. The dates and ages are on the poster.

We also need Board and Committee members – especially a Booking Coordinator for outside groups, and a Kitchen Staff Supervisor. Committee members are also needed to help our very organized Maintenance Chair with work on the site and trails.

Donations are needed to help us get an artesian well to replace our current water supply, which is subject to disruption as the line crosses the creek. Another great need is donations toward funding our summer student staff, as we only got four gov't grants and need at least two more for the bigger camps. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

And finally, time to celebrate! West Haven's 60th anniversary is this year. Former and potential campers and leaders and anyone interested are all welcome on June 23rd between 2:00 and 5:00 for activities and BBQ.

Amalgamation

Last week's insert answered most questions people had regarding amalgamation.

Next Sunday, after the morning service, we'll have the full-length proposal available at an in-person question & answer session, and we'll answer any other concerns.

The following week we'll vote on whether to amalgamate First United and Humber United Churches.

June 9 – information session

June 16 – vote

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Spring Into Action Food Drive

Thursday, June 6

The Food Bank Network is partnering with the Knights of Columbus again this year, holding a food drive to feed families during the summer months.

Members of the Knights of Columbus will be accepting your non-perishable food donations at all grocery store locations from 2 to 7 pm, this Thursday.

You can also drive-thru with your donations at the lower level of the Salvation Army Temple, from 5 to 7 pm Thursday.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

We come to the Table of our Lord Jesus Christ, knowing that we have sinned and fallen short of the fullness of life that God intended for us. But through faith we hear Christ's invitation to share in this means of grace. We hear the words of assurance written by the Apostle Paul to the church in Corinth: that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation; the old life is gone, and a new life is begun.

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Lead: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you.

Lead: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord our God.

Lead: Let us give thanks to God.

(Thanksgiving to God, ending with)...

we join with all creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the one who comes in the
name of the Lord. Hosanna in the**

highest

Lead: *(Thanks for the work of Christ, ending with)*
...together we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died.

Christ has risen.

Christ shall come again.

Lead: *(Thanksgiving for the work of the Spirit,)*
...together people of faith...

All: AMEN !

Lead: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
through the work of the Holy Spirit,
all glory to God:
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.
AMEN.

The Sharing of Bread

The Passing of the Cup

Let us pray together:

**We give thanks to you, almighty God,
that we are counted as your children,
and welcomed to your table.
Strengthen our faith,
and increase our desire
to go into the world to serve you.
AMEN**