

Welcome to First! We are glad you are here!

Rev. Hoemun will be in the office Thursday and Friday from 9:30am to 12:30pm

#### EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE

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#### REMINDER TO ALL GROUPS

Please ensure that **ALL** Windows are closed, **ALL** lights are off and **ALL** doors are securely locked before leaving the Church.



**Sunday May 10, 2026**

Acts 17:22–31; Psalm 66:8–20 (VU pp. 784–785 Parts Two and Three); 1 Peter 3:13–22; John 14:15–21

Ayr Knox Pastoral Charge



**Deadline for submission to the weekly updates is Tuesday by 12:00 p.m.**

#### CONTRIBUTIONS:

To get your offering to the office you can use PAR Etransfer to [firstunitedchurch@rogers.com](mailto:firstunitedchurch@rogers.com), Website donation [www.firstunitedchurch.ca](http://www.firstunitedchurch.ca) or cheque.

Please make cheques payable as follows –

#### FIRST UNITED CHURCH

Cheques can be dropped off at the church mailbox which is located at the Entrance on the William Street side of the building. **Also**, you may send your cheque to  
First United Church  
16 William St. West  
Waterloo ON N2L 1J3

Reminder, credit card companies have a fee of around 3-5%. If you wish First to get the full amount, then please add that percentage to your contribution.

#### THEN LET US SING! GET YOUR OWN COPY

We have been using the new hymn book *Then Let Us Sing!* in worship and with the choir since it came available. Some of us would like to have copies for ourselves. These can be ordered individually from UCRD. When ordered individually the cost including tax and shipping will be \$52.88 each. If we combine our orders, we can eliminate the shipping charges and that would reduce the cost to \$36.60 each. If you would like to have your own copy and are interested in making a bulk order, please sign the sheet in the narthex, or email Cathie at [css2303@gmail.com](mailto:css2303@gmail.com).

#### AN EVENING WITH FANNY - TONIGHT

Who was Fanny Crosby?? She has written over 5000 hymns, several are our favourites! Please join us for a sing-a-long musical entertainment evening, along with DESSERT!

May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6:30pm Dessert & coffee to be served  
7:00pm Music Program

Please join us for an evening of dessert and music!  
For more information or to pick up a ticket please contact either a Choir Member or a member of the UCW.  
Tickets are \$10



#### RED DRESS DAY

**May 5th is Red Dress Day.**

People across Canada will be displaying red dresses to honour and raise awareness of missing and murdered

Indigenous women and children. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will display red dresses in the narthex. We would be happy to add your dresses to the display for the morning. Please drop them off prior to the service and they can be picked up before you go home!



#### MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS PEOPLES WALK

Please join The Healing of The Seven Generations on Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup> as we walk together to honour the courage, strength and memory of our people! Let us make each step we take speak louder than words so our people will never be forgotten  
Walk to begin at 10:00 am at 300 Frederick Street, Kitchener

#### HANNAH HAWORTH GRADUATION RECITAL

May 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm First United Church Sanctuary  
Please come and enjoy an evening of singing as we celebrate with Hannah Haworth at her Graduation Recital.

#### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### DaCAPO CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERTS

Giving Ideas Voice, Directed by Leonard Enns  
Featuring the premiere of Taiga, by Leonard Enns for choir, oboe & strings.  
Saturday, May 2 7:30pm & Sunday, May 3 3:00pm  
Trillium Lutheran Church, Waterloo  
Tickets Adults \$30, Seniors (65+) \$25, Post Secondary Students \$15, Youth & Children (18 & under) \$5  
Visit [www.dacapochoir.ca](http://www.dacapochoir.ca) or call 519-725-7549 for details.

#### ALZHEIMER SOCIETY WATERLOO WELLINGTON

Cheat Sheet for Communication  
Virtual via Zoom – May 5<sup>th</sup>, 6pm – 7pm  
This talk will provide you with some suggestions on how to support conversation for people living with dementia. It includes suggestions for conversation starters and an opportunity for questions and discussion. The session is designed for care partners of people living with dementia who are in the early and mid stages of their journey.

#### ANNUAL SPIRITUALITY AND AGING SEMINAR – CONRAD GREBEL

**Date:** Friday May 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm  
**Location:** Conrad Grebel College  
Guest speaker: Rev. David Maginley. This full-day workshop at Congrad Grebel University College invites deep conversations about Medical Assistance in Dying and integrates theory, case studies, guided reflection and group dialogue. Register at: [grebel.ca/spirituality\\_](http://grebel.ca/spirituality_)

**51<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL WATERLOO REGION INTERFAITH COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**

**DATE:** Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
**TIME:** 7:00 am – 9:00 am  
**WHERE:** Bingemans Ballroom,  
 425 Bingemans Centre Drive, Kitchener

Please register through Eventbrite. Tickets are \$50 or \$275 for a table of 6. Youth (25 and under) \$25. Sales end May 11, 2026. For more information email: [InterfaithCommunityBreakfast@gmail.com](mailto:InterfaithCommunityBreakfast@gmail.com)  
 Printed tickets also available at Erb and Good Funeral Home, Waterloo

**FOURTH CLIMATE JUSTICE VIGIL**

The Fourth Climate Justice Vigil will take place on:  
**DATE:** Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup>  
**TIME:** 4:00 pm  
**LOCATION:** St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Kitchener. 56 Duke Street West, Kitchener.

The speaker is to be determined.

**MTSPACE – TELL!**

After an exhilarating World Theatre Day, we're back for another edition of TELL! Join us for a chill relaxing evening as we gather for a community potluck. This is also the space to share with the wider community just about anything you feel like sharing. Bring your talents, recipes, stories and calls to action to the community. Regardless of whether it's a finished work or a work-in-progress, this is your space to experiment and play. We love to see it.

**NOTE:** Please include an ingredients list if you decide to bring any dishes for the potluck.

**DATE:** May 25, 2026  
**TIME:** 7:00 pm  
**WHERE:** Chapel, First United Church

<b>Sunday, May 3</b>		
10:30 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Sunday School	Parlour/Labyrinth Room
11:00 am	Refreshments	Hilliard Hall/Kitchen
6:30 pm	An Evening with Fanny	Hilliard Hall/Kitchen
<b>Monday, May 4</b>		
7:00 pm	Church Board Meeting	Parlour
<b>Tuesday, May 5</b>		
1:30 pm	Property Committee Meeting	Parlour
7:00 pm	Hannah Haworth Recital	Sanctuary
<b>Wednesday, May 6</b>		
8:00 am	SHOW Video Project	Parlour
6:30 pm	Embers	Outside
6:30 pm	Sparks	Chapel
<b>Thursday, May 7</b>		
1:30 pm	UCW Meeting	Parlour/Kitchen
4:00 pm	Family Choir	Chapel
7:00 pm	Gallery Choir	Chapel
<b>Friday, May 8</b>		
9:30 am	Pastoral Care Meeting	Parlour
<b>Saturday, May 9</b>		
8:00 am	Birthing Kits	Hilliard Hall/Kitchen
9:00 am	Knitting Group	Parlour
1:00 pm	Dungeons & Dragons	Parlour
<b>Sunday May 10</b>		
10:30 am	Joint Service – Asian Heritage Month	Sanctuary
10:30 am	Sunday School	Parlour/Labyrinth Room
11:30 am	Refreshments	Hilliard Hall/Kitchen

**WEEKLY UPDATE**  
 of happenings, events and concerns of our  
**First United Church Family**



**May 3, 2026**

Minister	Rev. Hoeun Lee
Music Director	Kathleen King Martin
Church Administrator	Carla Drake
AV Technician	Harold Arnett
Custodian	Jay Brooker
Assistant Custodian	Craig Lennox

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**Chair of the Board**  
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Guest Minister:  
 Greeter(s): Paul Miller (he/him)  
 Reader(s): Joanne MacPhail (she/her)  
 Lay Leader: Joanne MacPhail (she/her)  
 Serving Refreshments this month: Property