

First United Church

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Washrooms: Through the exit to the right of the pulpit there's a lobby that includes a washroom. In the lower hall washrooms are located through the exit between the coat racks.

Please remember that First United strives to be a **scent free facility**.

Church business (general inquiries, committee info, bulletin announcements, etc.) should be directed to the Office Administrator.

Tuesday – Thursday 1:15 pm – 5:15 pm.

Friday 9 am - Noon

Closed Mondays

We are able to receive bulletin announcements until **Thursday at 4pm.**

Rev. van Vliet is usually in the church offices Monday through Thursday afternoons.

He tries to take Fridays off.

If you have a pastoral need call **634-5301** or feel free to email, or drop in to the office.

In case of emergency, he can be reached at 632-7129.

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Prelude

Welcome

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship: (adapted from Psalm 23)

L: The Lord is my shepherd. I lack nothing. He lets me rest in grassy meadows; he leads me to restful waters; he restores my soul. He guides me in proper paths.

P: Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no danger because you are with me. Your rod and your staff protect me.

L: You set a table for me that is safe from my enemies. You bathe my head in oil; my cup is so full it spills over!

P: Goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will live in the Lord's house as long as I live.

Hymn: *The Lord's my Shepherd* VU 747

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Presence

Reading: John 10: 11 – 18

Message: More sheep than you can shake a shepherd's staff at..

Hymn: *One Bread, One Body* VU 467

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)

Blessing

Please leave your offering on the back table

Holy Communion

Bread and wine have been placed in pairs of glasses on the table. Please come up and take a pair back to your seat. Please remember to remain 6 feet (2 metres) apart unless you're bubbled with someone.

If people progress clockwise no one will bump into anyone else. We will begin with the north (City Hall) side starting with the transept, followed by the north side along the windows, the north side of the central aisle, south side of the central aisle, the side along the south windows, and the south transept. There is a small table available for those in the balcony.

When you get back to your seat please hold the elements until we are able to eat together and then drink together.

Announcements

Rev van Vliet will be away this week. Please call Rev Jocelyn Cook at 685-6795 for pastoral emergencies. Rev Graham Cook will lead worship next Sunday.

Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday May 9th, immediately following the service.

Memorials

Local: In loving memory of brothers and uncles, Bob & Derek Follett by Jeff, Emeline, Jason, Matthew & families.

VU #747 – The Lord’s My Shepherd

1. The Lord’s my shepherd, I’ll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me,
the quiet waters by.
2. My soul he doth restore again;
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
even for his own name’s sake.
3. Yea, though I walk in death’s dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff comfort me still.
4. My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.
5. Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God’s house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.

VU #467 – One Bread, One Body

1. One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more.
2. One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless
And we, though many, throughout the earth,
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Many gifts, many works,
one in the Lord of all.
3. One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless
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Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all.

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The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Leader: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: (*Prayer of thanksgiving to God, ending with*)
...we join with all creation to in joyful praise.

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy 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
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Leader: (*Prayer of thanksgiving for the intercession of Christ ending with*) ...together we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ shall come again.**

Leader: (*Prayer of thanksgiving for the work of the Spirit, ending with*) ...together people of faith say...

All: AMEN !

Leader: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in unity with 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 God
that we are welcomed to Christ's table.
Strengthen our faith,
and increase our desire to live in your way.
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