

This Week at Faith United

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| Monday, March 18 | The Porch (Hybrid) 10:30 am Euchre (S) 1:00 pm Guides etc (S/SR/LR) 6:00 pm |
| Tuesday, March 19 | Quilting Group (SR) 9:30 am Tots on Tuesdays (LR/N/SK) 10:00 am Happy Harmony Choir (S) 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, March 20 | UCW Meeting (LR) 1:00 pm Pathfinders/Rangers (SR) 6:30 pm |
| Thursday, March 21 | Men's Gathering (LR) 9:30am Clarrington Quilt Guild (S) 1:00 pm Visitation Team (LR) 1:30 pm Faith Choir Practice (S) 7:00 pm Durham Storytellers (LR) 7:00 pm |
| Friday March 22 | Family Fun Night (S) 5:00 pm |
| Saturday, March 23 | Embers (Brownies) (SR) 10:30 am |
| Sunday, March 24 (Palm Sunday) | Hybrid Worship (S) 10:30 am Joyful Noise (N/LR) 10:30 am |

As an act of respect and reconciliation we at Faith United acknowledge that our church is on the unceded land of the (Ah-nish-nah-bay) Anishinaabe, the (HO-den-o-SHO-nee) Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat. We are treaty people living in the region of the Williams Treaty.

We're Glad You're Here! ~ Guest Information

Name(s): _____
Email: _____
Address: _____ Ph: _____
Postal Code: _____ How Did You Find Us? _____
My Household Includes: Child ☐ Youth ☐ Adult ☐ Senior ☐
I'm Interested In: ☐ Learning more about Faith
☐ Envelopes/PAR information
☐ Becoming a member
☐ Baptism
Comments: _____
(please tear off this section and place in offering plate or hand to a member.)

Please join us in making Faith United a scent-free environment.

Faith United Mission Statement

We believe in a loving and forgiving God, shown to us through Jesus Christ, creation, the bible, and the community of believers.
Therefore we will:
strive to provide a spiritual home that is openly welcoming, nurturing and safe whatever a person's ability/disability, age, ethnicity, exceptionality, gender identity, sexual orientation, or social or economic circumstance;
seek to become disciples of Christ growing in faith through worship, study and prayer;
risk sharing our resources with local and global neighbours in response to God's call;
be committed to the responsible use and care of all that God has entrusted to us;
encourage all who gather here to participate freely in the life and work of this church.
Let our actions reflect our faith.



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March 17, 2024
Lent 5



WE GATHER

Introit: Teach Me God to Wonder (v.1,3) VU 299

Call to Worship

One: Surely, God is in this place.
All: **Help me notice.**
One: Come praising, opening your heart to the Holy Presence.
All: **In prayer, in song, we worship.**
One: Come questioning, opening your mind to the Holy Mystery.
All: **In thought, in wrestling, we worship.**
One: Come awestruck, opening your being to the Holy Wonder.
All: **In humility, in delight, we worship.**

Shalom: We exchange a greeting of “shalom” – An ancient word of faith meaning peace, wholeness, wellness, blessing...

Hymn: Tree of Life & Awesome Mystery (v.1-4) VU 121

Prayer of Invocation and Transformation (unison)

Holy Mystery, we pray for a deep awareness of your Presence and your shalom. We pray that as we sing, and listen, and pray this morning that the rhythm of your Way might become more real, more beautiful, more precious to us. Help us to awaken to your Presence within us and see the new thing you are doing.
Standing in your light, hearts broken open, acknowledging our humanness, seeking transformation, savouring your Holy Presence, we pray...
(a moment of contemplation)

One: God hears, forgives, makes whole, renews, and loves. Breathe deeply of God's shalom and be God's. Amen.

Kids Time

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we welcome: Vivian and Paisley,
daughters of Stacey and Bill Goodman

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

Scripture Reading

John 12:23-33 – Kathleen Pearce

Music Ministry: “Come, Now is the Time to Worship”

– Hayes

Message: Wondering – Apocalypse

WE RESPOND

Praise Song: Fill Me with the Fullness

Prayer *(w/Lord’s Prayer)*

Offering & Life and Work of the Congregation

We offer these gifts to quench thirsty souls, to transform hungry hearts, and to share our blessings near and far. And in wonder, we offer ourselves as we affirm our commitment to love, love, love. Bless, O God, all these, our offerings. Amen.

Hymn: I See A New Heaven

VU 512

Benediction & Commissioning

Closing: God, Help Us to Treasure *(alt)*

MV 147

*God, help us to treasure these moments of myst’ry
To hallow the Sacred in all that we do
God, help us to savour each moment of wonder
Of love, joy, and blessing as hearts are renewed.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-Transfer’s Now Available

E-Transfer donations may now be made at donations@faithunited.ca Thanks for your generosity and for any questions, please contact the office.

Family Fun Night

Fourth Friday of the month from 5 pm to 7 pm. Lots of fun & games for all and a free child friendly supper. Everyone is welcome. ☺ This Friday March 22nd

Tots on Tuesdays

Drop by Faith United's Tots on Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m., where your tots (0-4) will enjoy a fun-filled playtime, including crafts, music and snacks, and you will have time for coffee or tea and conversation.

Men’s Gathering – Thursday’s at 9:30 AM

Thursday mornings at Faith for coffee and conversation – all men welcome.

Need A Ride To Faith?

Laurie Stapley is the coordinator for anyone who would like a ride to church. Her phone number is 905-434-7269. Please call by Friday evening and she will arrange a ride for you. We have a couple of drivers at this point, but if you could be a driver, please contact Laurie.

Easter Memorial Butterflies

We do not place real Easter Lilies in the sanctuary due to a scent free environment. In place of the Lilies we have a "butterfly branch" on the chancel. If you would like to purchase a "butterfly" in memory of a loved one, please place the information on the offering plate on any Sunday morning. Please no 'same as last year'. We need the full name and any other information you would like to add to place it on the butterfly. All donations go to the chancel budget. Contact Gail Minacs or Donna Bignell for further information.

Loonie/Toonie Sundays

The M&S committee would like you to join us in saving any loonies or toonies in your loose change. The funds raised will again go to support the Food for the North initiative. Each Gift of \$10 will purchase one grocery gift card for a family in the far north. This initiative will run until TODAY! Cash or cheques made out to Faith United Church, Food for the North in the memo section are also gratefully received. Bottles of coins can be placed on the collection plate. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

Maundy Thursday Potluck/Worship – March 28th

East Central Ontario Prayer Cycle

Coe Hill – St. Ola – The Ridge

Holy Week Worship

Maundy Thursday ~ March 28 @ 6:00 pm
(Family Style Pot Luck Dinner)

Good Friday ~ March 29 @ 10:30 am

Easter Sunrise ~ March 31 @ 7:00 am (at Faith)

Easter Worship ~ March 31 @ 10:30 am