

## This Week at Faith United

Monday, April 22	The Porch (Hybrid) 10:30 am Guides/Pathfinders (S/SR/LR) 6:00 pm
Tuesday, April 23	UCW Regional meeting (all) 9:00 am Happy Harmony Choir (S) 7:00 pm
Wednesday, April 24	Pathfinders/Rangers (SR) 6:30 pm
Thursday, April 25	Men's Gathering (LR) 9:30am Circle of Accompaniment (LR) 2:00 pm Choir Practice (S) 7:00 pm
Friday April 26	Transition Prayer Group (LR) 1:30 pm Family Fun Night (S) 5:00 pm
Saturday, April 27	Embers (SR) 10:30 am
Sunday, April 28	Hybrid Worship (S) 10:30 am Joyful Noise (N/LR) 10:30 am ORMT Piano Competition (S) 2:30 pm

**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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Wednesday & Thursday 9 am – 2 pm

Friday 9 am – 12 pm

**April 21, 2024**

**Easter 3**



**Welcome**

**A Time of Quiet Preparation**

**WE GATHER**

**Introit:** Hallelujah, Give Thanks *(ch,v4,ch)*

**VU 179**

**Call to Worship**

One: Surely, God is in this place.

**All: Help me notice.**

One: Let us worship our God who changes the way we see the world.

**All: Let us worship our Christ whose peace stills the storm.**

One: Let us worship our Spirit that transforms us to new life.

**All: Let us worship.**

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

**Praise Song:** Calm Faith

**Prayer of Invocation and Transformation** *(unison)*

Abba, we pray for your Holy Spirit to be fully alive in us today. We pray for the deep peace that comes from learning to trust that your presence and grace are sufficient; for enough faith and courage to live life abundantly in all circumstances; and that you'll reveal to us your holy kingdom and help us to see new possibilities and thrive in the Way of Jesus. This is our deep desire.

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**

#### **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

#### **Scripture Reading**

Acts 11:1-18 – Lisa Lazoren

**Music Ministry:** “O Come, Thou God of Grace” – *Althouse*

**Message:** Renewed Vision

**Hymn:** As A Fire Is Meant for Burning **VU 578**

#### **WE RESPOND**

**Prayer** (*w/Lord's Prayer*)

#### **Offering & Life and Work of the Congregation**

Life-giving God, our very being is transformed this Easter. We have encountered the living Christ! It is in gratitude that we express our faith, offered in sharing our resources, and it is in joy that we offer ourselves as we affirm our commitment to love, love, love. Bless, O God, all these, our offerings. Amen.

**Hymn:** Let Us Build A House (*v.1,2,4,5*) **MV 1**

#### **Benediction & Commissioning**

**Closing:** Go to the World (*v.2*) **VU 420**

*\*Please watch the “Renewal” board in the atrium for the latest news in Faith's visioning and minister search process\**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **E-Transfer's Now Available**

E-Transfer donations may now be made at [donations@faithunited.ca](mailto: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 April 26<sup>th</sup>!

### **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. (NB – cancelled this week Apr 23)

### **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.

### **Souper Sundae – TODAY**

Enjoy a delicious Soup Lunch with a selection of homemade soups, biscuits, and a ‘make-your-own’ sundae! Then stay for a concert by “Happy Harmony” singers. Only \$10. Tickets available from Beth or Linda.

### **Transition Prayer Group**

During this time of transition at Faith United people wonder what they can do to help. Praying is one important example! A group is forming to hold the congregation in prayer during the visioning and minister search processes. They will meet in-person on Fridays at 1:30 pm. (Check Noticings for the Zoom link.) Please consider joining us in praying for Faith!

### **Scott Woods Old-Fashioned Hoedown – May 31**

Scott Woods tickets are now available either online at [Scottwoods.ca](http://Scottwoods.ca), from Linda Walsh or from the office. There are a limited number so get yours before we run out! Tickets are \$45 each with \$10 from each ticket sold benefiting the church.

### **Upcoming Events**

Souper Sundae – *April 21<sup>st</sup>*

UCW Regional AGM – *April 23<sup>rd</sup>*

Yard Sale and BBQ – *May 11<sup>th</sup>*

Scott Woods Old-Fashioned Hoedown – *May 31<sup>st</sup>*

### **East Central Ontario Prayer Cycle**

Moscow UC/Riverside UC – East Camden

### **Treasurer's Update – first quarter 2024**

Operating Income - \$63,324

Operating Expenses - \$77,187

Deficit - \$13,863

Outreach donations - \$12,498

Capital donations - \$2,707

**Note:** \$10,000 has been withdrawn from our undesignated investment fund to cover the deficit.