

This Week at Faith United

Monday, May 12	3 rd Courtice Sparks – 6pm 3 rd Courtice Pathfinders/Rangers (SR) – 6:30pm
Tuesday, May 13	Knitters & Quilters (SR) – 9:30am Tots on Tuesday (LR) – 10am Happy Harmony Choir (S) – 7pm
Wednesday, May 14	Community Care Lunch (S) - noon Choir (S) – 7pm
Thursday, May 15	Men’s Gathering (LR) – 9:30am Clarrington Quilt Guild (S) – 1pm Durham Storytellers (LR) – 7pm
Friday, May 16	
Saturday, May 17	
Sunday, May 18	Hybrid Worship (S) – 10:30 am Joyful Noise (N/SR) – 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.)

Faith United is 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 gifts, age, ethnicity, exceptionality, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, or social or economic circumstance may be.

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.



Guest Minister: Rev. Norm Seli

Worship Host: Elaine Rennie

Worship Lead: Elaine Rennie

Minister Emeritus: Rev. Doug Snell B.A, M.Div

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Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9am – 3:30pm

May 11th, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

Mother’s Day



Welcome

A Time of Quiet Preparation

WE GATHER

Introit: Gather Us In

MV 7

Call to Worship

We’ve come to worship God,

who loved us before we were yet born,

who knows us even better than we know ourselves,

whose presence never leaves us,

and whose love for us never ceases.

This is our God.

Let’s worship together!

Shalom: *We exchange a greeting of “shalom” – An ancient word of faith meaning peace, wholeness, wellness, blessing we do by waving and smiling at each other and for those online please wish each other Shalom on the YouTube chat*

Praise Song: Gratitude

Prayer of Invocation and Transformation

Holy One, we gather in your presence to give you thanks and to celebrate the gift of your love; a love that

supports, nurtures and challenges us in ways that

strengthen and transform us. We offer you praise and

thanksgiving for your unfailing presence in our lives

and all of the blessings that you so generously offer us.

We come to humble ourselves at the awesome wonder

of your being, and we find that we are exalted to the

highest heights – because you know us, and love us, and

bless us.

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: Mother's Day

Children's Exit Hymn: Jesus loves me, this I know

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Psalm 23 (Leigh Boldger)

Music Ministry: Prayer by Lau

Message: "TBA" by Rev. Norm Seli

WE RESPOND

Hymn: Blessed Assurance **VU 337**

Pastoral Prayer (with Lord's Prayer):

Offering & Life and Work of the Congregation

Offertory Prayer: We offer these gifts to quench thirsty
souls, to transform hungry hearts, and to shower your
earth with blessings. And we offer ourselves as we
affirm our commitment to love, love, love. Bless, O God,
all these, our offerings. Amen.

Hymn: Jesus, Friend of Little Children **VU 340**

Benediction & Commissioning

Closing: Peace Be with You **MV 215**

The call to worship is written by Christine
<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/05/mothers-day-call-to-worship.html>, and the prayer of invocation and transformation is adapted
from the World in Prayer website. <http://www.worldinprayer.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calling All Women at Faith United Church

This is an open invitation for you to meet other women
in the congregation ☺. The UCW meets every third
Wednesday of the month from 1 – 3 p.m. in the Living
Room. We are a very active group sharing fellowship
and interesting Programs each month. All are welcome;
if you have any questions, please contact:
Joyce O'Connell, President at 905 436 3094 or
email: joysquilts@rogers.com

Upcoming Events

June 22nd: Celebration Sunday
August 21st: Mystery Bus Tour
November 1st: Faith Christmas Bazaar

E-Transfers Now Available

E-Transfer donations may now be made at
donations@faithunited.ca. Thank you for your
generosity in supporting the church.

Need Help Hearing?

Hearing assist earphones are available every Sunday for
those that need them. Please see one of the friendly
faces in the sound booth and they will get you set up!

Men's Gathering

All men are welcome to the Men's Gathering, which
meets every Thursday morning at 9:30am in the Living
Room for coffee and conversation.

Durham Pride Events

The multi-faith service for Durham Pride 2025 will take
place on Saturday June 7th from 12pm – 12:45pm at the
Ajax Community Centre Soccer Field. The Pride parade
begins at 1pm. Join us!

Upcoming Office Closure

Please note that the office will be closed on Monday May
19th for the Victoria Day holiday.

Prayer Cycle

Cambridge Street United Church – Lindsay, ON

SAVE THE DATE!

Celebration Sunday is coming on June 22nd.
We have a huge day planned with food and games and
entertainment, but we will need your help to make it
happen. Here are some of the opportunities for you:

- bring food for potluck lunch
- host a game or activity - bubbles, face painting,
cookie decorating, hopscotch, planting seeds
- set up chairs and tables inside and outside
- cook hotdogs
- hand out freezies, juice boxes, and prizes
- promote the event on social media, posters, and
community sites
- set up and manage sound system outside
- Clean up!

It is going to be a fabulous day that we hope our
community will come over and enjoy with us. Mark it on
your calendar and let Enid know how you can help.