

BULLETIN NOTATIONS

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Gather

***OPENING HYMN:** VU 389 “God is Here” (vs 1 & 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Welcome to the weary and the worn.

Welcome to the wiggly and the eager.

Welcome to the skeptical and the seeking.

Welcome to the early risers and those still trying to wake up.

Welcome to the rule followers and the rule breakers.

Welcome to those hungry for justice and those desperate for mercy.

This is God’s house.

Let us worship our just, merciful, and faithful God!

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE & EXTINGUISHING LENTEN CANDLES

OPENING PRAYER

You have blessed us, O God, from the time of our beginning until now. For times of joy and times of sorrow, for times of triumph and times of discouragement, for times of ease and times of trial, we give you thanks. Make us strong in our faith, wise in our thinking, worthy in our worshipping, and courageous in our action as we give our praise to you, O God. Amen.

***HYMN:** TLUS 95 “Come to me, O Weary Traveler”

We Listen

FIRST GOSPEL READING: John 8:2-11

READER: Trudy Pickersgill

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SECOND GOSPEL READING: Matthew 23:23

READER: Trudy Pickersgill

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM: “Psalm of Quietness” arr. By J. Schrader

MESSAGE: “Threads of Mercy and Faithfulness”

***HYMN:** VU 271 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” (vs. 1, 2, & 5)

We Respond

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

***SUNG RESPONSE:** TLUS 60 “There’s Enough for All”

OFFERING PRAYER:

Here, O God, we offer our very selves and the fruit of our labours. Bless both us and our gifts for your purpose in the world, transforming others as we are also transformed. In giving, may we also learn how to receive, in Jesus’ name. Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (VU 914) – *spoken*

We Go Out to Serve

***CLOSING HYMN:** VU 117 “Jesus Christ is Waiting” (vs. 1, 3, 5)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Donations on Sundays may be placed in the offering plate at the entrance to the sanctuary. We thank you for your support!

AFTER WORSHIP, there will be a short break for refreshments and then our Annual Meeting will commence in the Sanctuary.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

are available on the pew as you enter the sanctuary.

PRAYER LIST

As we face life's challenges, we are encouraged by those who surround us with their prayers. If you would like your name to appear on the prayer list, please tell the minister or a member of the Pastoral Care Committee.

This week we pray for:

Tove Bowman, & Elaine Champagne

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Mar 22 - 9:30 am Worship Service & Annual Mtg

Mar 29 - 9:30 am - Palm Sunday & Communion

Apr 3 - 10:00 am - Good Friday Service

Apr 5 - 9:30 am - Easter Sunday Service

ORDERING EASTER DAFFODILS:

On Easter Sunday, we hope to surround the cross with daffodils. If you would like to make a donation and have a daffodil placed in the sanctuary in memory of a loved one, please call or email the church office (fonthilu@vaxxine.com). Cut-off is March 29th. You can donate via e-transfer, cash, through the offering or bring in to the office. Any balance remaining from the proceeds of your donations will be donated to Pelham Cares.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

TAIZE SERVICES: at Fenwick United Church. Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. Dates: March 12, 19, 26 & April 2.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE: The five churches: Fonthill United, Fenwick United, Wesley United, PCC, and Central United will come together at Fonthill United Church this year for the special Good Friday Service on Friday, April 3, 2026 at 10am. Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments, hot cross buns, and fellowship in the Lower Hall on the lower level following the service.

THE BOOK CLUB's: next book is entitled, "This Is How It Always Is" by Laurie Frankel. If anyone wants a copy please see Margot Fraser. The Book Club will be meeting to discuss and chat about this book on Thursday, March 26th at 1:30 p.m.

GAMES IN THE AFTERNOON: Tuesdays at 2pm in the Friendship room. Come out and join the fun!

Church Office Hours this week:

Mon: CLOSED

Tues 8:00 - 12:40 pm

Wed-Fri 8:00 - 1:05 pm

Please call before coming in to ensure your needs can be met

**TO MAKE A DONATION TO FONTHILL UNITED CHURCH,
YOU ARE WELCOME TO:**

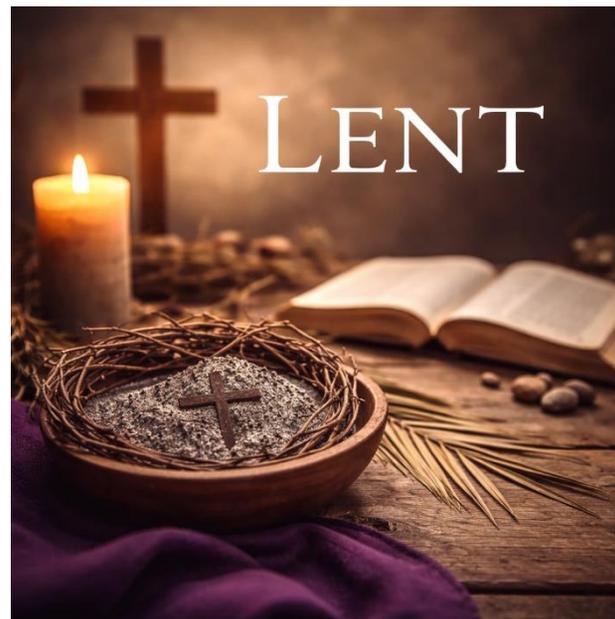
- 1) Mail a cheque to the church at: Fonthill United Church, Box 926, Fonthill ON L0S 1E0.
- 2) Drop your cheque donation, anytime, through the mail slot in the exterior office door at the church.
- 3) Bring cash donations into the office when the church office is open.
- 4) Send an e-transfer to: fonthilu@vaxxine.com.
- 5) Sign up for the pre-authorized remittance program (PAR). Contact the church office to register.

THE WEEK AHEAD AT FONTHILL UNITED

Monday Mar 23	8:00 am	Pre-School
	4:00 pm	Music Lessons
Tuesday Mar 24	6:00 pm	Garden Club
	8:00 am	Pre-School
	9:00 am	Badminton
Wednesday Mar 25	2:00 pm	Afternoon Games
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
	8:00 am	Pre-School
	1:30 pm	Pickle Ball
	2:30 pm	Music Lessons
	3:30 pm	Music Lessons
	6:00 pm	Cubs
Thursday Mar 26	6:00 pm	A Cappella Practice
	8:00 am	Pre-School
	9:00 am	Badminton
	10:00 am	Walking Group
	1:30 pm	Book Club
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
Friday Mar 27	3:15 pm	Choir Practice
	8:00 am	Pre-School
	12:30 pm	Music Lessons
Saturday Mar 28	6:30 pm	Pickle Ball
	11:00 am	Music Lessons
Sunday Mar 29	1:00 pm	Baby Shower
	9:30 am	Sunday Service – Palm Sunday

Fonthill United Church

March 22, 2026



MISSION STATEMENT

Words inspire us. Music uplifts us.
United in God's love,
we strive to be an inclusive community,
learning together and supporting others with compassion.

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