

BULLETIN NOTATIONS

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PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

***GATHERING HYMN:** VU 315 “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Holy One, creator of days gone by and days to come,
we are created with imagination and memory.

We are full of feelings sparked by what we know, read, and
understand of the past. **We are full of prayers of hope for the future.**

Come now, O Spirit, on this day as we celebrate the people of this
church: **the stories warm us, unite us, inspire us, and surprise us.**

Today we celebrate those who worshipped and worked here before
us. **Let their faith guide us this day and in all the days to come.**

And help us to admit to you, O God, and to ourselves,
our weakness, our faults, our lack of faith.

Calm us, guide us, free us, O Lord.
Assuring us of forgiveness, hope, and new life, in Jesus’ name.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

GATHERING PRAYER:

**We give thanks, Gracious God, for the saints who move among us
humbly each day. We offer gratitude for all those who come
together to comfort people who are ill and weary thanking you for
all who offer their ministry of compassion and justice here on earth
laying a foundation for future generations. In gratitude, we thank
you for all the saints of today, the saints who came before us, the
saints among us, and those still to come. In Jesus’ name, we pray.
Amen.**

WE LISTEN

***HYMN:** VU pg 872 “Give Praise to Our God (Psalm 149)”

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 6:20–31

READER: George Dewar

²⁰ Looking at his disciples, he said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²² Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you
and reject your name as evil,
because of the Son of Man.

²³ “Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in
heaven. For that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

²⁴ “But woe to you who are rich,
for you have already received your comfort.

²⁵ Woe to you who are well fed now,
for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶ Woe to you when everyone speaks well of you,
for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.²⁷ “But to
you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who
hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat
you. ²⁹ If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other
Also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from
them. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what
belongs to you, do not demand it back. ³¹ Do to others as you would
have them do to you.

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

Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "For All the Saints" ~ arr. By: D. Elrich

MESSAGE: "Who are the Saints in Our Lives?"

***HYMN:** VU 707 "For the Faithful Who Have Answered"

We Respond

INVITATION TO OFFERING

***SUNG RESPONSE:** VU 540

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

**Giver of Life, today we dedicate this offering to your work
throughout the world. May it find the places desperately in need of
love. May it be a beacon of hope for all. Amen.**

SERVICE TO COMMEMORATE THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

PRAYER OF COMMEMORATION

THE ACT OF COMMEMORATION

*As the names of those in our Communities of Faith who passed from
life through death into eternal life are read, a white carnation will be
placed in a vase to remind us of our eternal communion with them.*

James Dixon – Nov 2024

Wray Tighe – Dec 2024

Maria Strobel – Feb 2025

Larry Bousfield – Mar 2025

Len Wright – May 2025

Clarence Rivett – May 2025

John Rigg – June 2025

Gwen Heatherington – June 2025

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE: *(responsively)*

We remember before you O God,
the great company of every name
joined with us throughout the world.

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

We remember our family, parents and grandparents,
those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

Family of our faith, we remember you.

We lift up to You, O God,
the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives,
knowing that they are with Your heart forever.

Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you.

**We know you are with us in the spirit of worship,
and you will not be forgotten.**

We give thanks, O God,
for all who have gone on to join with You beyond this life.
We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in
Christ,
and know that in our grief and celebration, O God,
You are with us through it all, and we are not alone.
In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER – VU 959 *(sung)*

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***CLOSING HYMN:** VU 660 "How Firm a Foundation"

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

LARGE PRINT HYMNS and RESPONSIVE READINGS are available on the pew as you enter the sanctuary.
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AFTER WORSHIP, everyone is invited to stay for refreshments and fellowship in the Lower Hall on the lower level.

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.

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Nov 9 – 9:30 am Worship Service
Nov 16 – 9:30 am Worship Service
Nov 23 – 9:30 am Worship Service
Nov 30 – 9:30 am Worship Service with Communion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us after Church on November 2 to celebrate the November birthdays and anniversaries of our members. There will be cake and great conversation.



TIME CHANGE: Next weekend, Daylight Saving Time ends. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour Saturday evening, November 1st.

A lunch for Rowena: On November 16th we invite everyone to stay after the Church Service which will include the Celebration of a New Ministry: An Act of Covenanting a New Pastoral Relationship with our Community of Faith.

FOR HUNTINGTON DISEASE: Gail DeKoning is selling Amaryllis Plants again for Huntington Disease. They are \$17 each and will be here around the first week of November. Please let her know if you would like to order any.

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

BAKE - BAKE - BAKE: Everyone, it is that time of the year. Please start baking for the bake table on November 22 when we are having "Take a Break" offering Scones and Tea/Coffee and a bake table. We are also having Lessons Carols and Cookies again this year and people love your baking. If you put it in the freezer please mark your container "Christmas".

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.

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

Church Office Hours for this week:
Mon-Fri - 8-12pm

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

THE WEEK AHEAD AT FONTHILL UNITED

Monday Nov 3	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	4:00 pm	Music Lessons
	6:30 pm	Pickle Ball
Tuesday Nov 4	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	9:00 am	Badminton
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
	2:00 pm	Afternoon Games
Wednesday Nov 5	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	1:30 pm	Pickle Ball
	2:30 pm	Music Lessons
	3:30 pm	Music Lessons
	6:00 pm	Cubs
Thursday Nov 6	6:00 pm	A Cappella Practice
	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	9:00 am	Badminton
	10:00 am	Walking Group
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
Friday Nov 7	3:00 pm	Choir Practice
	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	12:30 pm	Music Lessons
Saturday Nov 8	6:30 pm	Pickle Ball
	9:30 am	NAUC Meeting
Sunday Nov 9	11:00 am	Music Lessons
	9:30 am	Sunday Service - Remembrance

Fonthill United Church

November 2, 2025

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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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