



## Worship Update

See you Sunday, September 2, 2012.

August 31,  
2012

### Worship This Sunday...



Fourteenth after Pentecost  
September 2, 2012

We'll share  
**Holy Communion.**

Sermon Title:  
**"Tell Them Your Story"**

Rev. Dr. Danielle James

This Sunday is  
Food Bank Sunday

Dear First Family,

If you are in town this weekend I hope you'll join me in worship. It's the start of a new sermon series. I'm preaching a sermon entitled "Tell Them Your Story." We'll hear the story of a person trapped in a life of confusion who moves toward clarity and purpose. And we'll wonder about our own lives - How is God writing a new story with us?

Rev. Danielle

### Northern Gateway Pipeline Update

There is lots of energy in First United around the issue of our General Council rejecting the Northern Gateway Pipeline project. It's been a busy and engaging week.

Last Sunday 16 members held a second sharing circle about our concerns, questions and next steps. I've also heard from folks by email, phone and visits to the church building.

Our feelings are varied: frustration about lack of information, thankful for spaces to dialogue, impatience for action that responds to the media messages and hope for our congregation's faithful response in the weeks and months ahead.

I'm also hearing that we want to **learn together, lift up care of responsible care of creation, offer opportunities for the Fort community to engage the topic with diverse voices.**

#### Action Steps:

- Join one another in prayer for our community, denomination, our province, our world.

- Visit the website: [www.northerngateway.ca](http://www.northerngateway.ca) The official Enbridge site dedicated to the issue.

- Read my pastoral invitation to the Fort community for ongoing dialogue toward understanding. (to be printed in the Fort Record next week) [Click here to read the article.](#)

- Join us for our first **Learning Circle: Sunday Sept 9 (immediately after worship)** We'll hear from Engineers in our First United family who are studying the issue and will give us a common platform of information.

- Let me know how you'd like to get involved. [rev.daniellejames@gmail.com](mailto:rev.daniellejames@gmail.com)

### Fort Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce Invitation

The September monthly Chamber meeting will see **Enbridge Inc.** offer an updated on their **Northern Gateway Pipeline Project.** The proposed pipeline is planned to start near Shell's Scotford complex east of Fort Saskatchewan. It is currently in before the Northern Gateway Pipeline Joint Review Panel who will assess the environmental effects of the proposed project and review the application under both the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act and the National Energy Board Act.

**Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2012**

**Dow Centennial Centre**

**11:30a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Member-benefit price is \$20 and \$30 for non-members (lunch included).**

[Click here for more information](#)

### Families First Society – Parent Link Centre

...for Fort Saskatchewan and Sturgeon County invites the community to their ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & CELEBRATION! Monday, **September 10<sup>th</sup>** at the Legion beginning at 6:30 p.m.

[Click here for more information](#)

### Giving Care to Our Lawn

First United is in need of a few volunteers to cut the grass over the next few weeks. Everything you need is supplied. Please contact the [church office](#) if you are able to help.

### Harvest Moon Coffeehouse

Help us spread the word...

**Saturday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m.**

Continuing the festivities of the **Downtown Fall Festival**, First United Church is hosting a **Harvest Moon Coffeehouse** in support of the **Canadian Food Grains Bank**. Local musicians unite together in a intimate coffeehouse setting while you sip Fair Trade coffee eat fabulous desserts. Headlining musicians: Peter Nolan and Friends and The Gates Family. Cover charge applies.



### Old-time Community Tea

**September 29 from 2:00—4:00 p.m.**

Dig out your hats and gloves... The United Church Women are hosting an "Old-time Community Tea" in celebration of First United Church's 130th anniversary. Old-time dainties and petite sandwiches will be served! Silver offering. All are welcome!



Please regularly check-out our website at [fsunited.org](http://fsunited.org) to keep yourselves updated about our coming events, and to listen to our recorded sermons.

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