

First United Church

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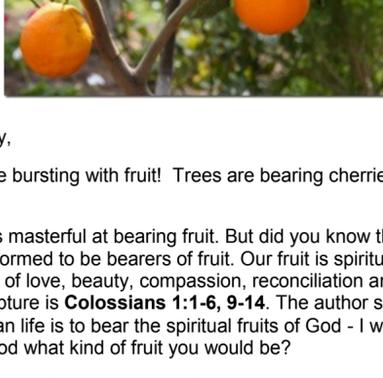
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First United eNews

The place where you'll find up-to-date information about what's happening, what's new and what to expect in the church community.

July 11, 2013



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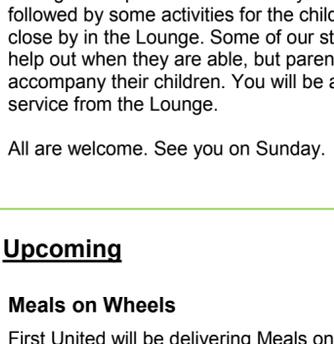
The orchards are bursting with fruit! Trees are bearing cherries, pears and peaches.

God's creation is masterful at bearing fruit. But did you know that human creation is also formed to be bearers of fruit. Our fruit is spiritual fruit sweet with the flavours of love, beauty, compassion, reconciliation and justice. This Sunday the Scripture is **Colossians 1:1-6, 9-14**. The author suggests that a purpose of human life is to bear the spiritual fruits of God - I wonder if you were a fruit of God what kind of fruit you would be?

Join us Sunday to explore and worship together!

[Rev. Danielle](#)

Sunday Worship, July 14



Join us this Sunday, at 10:00 a.m.

Worship Leadership:

Rev. Dr. Danielle A. James

Sermon Title:

Apples and Coconuts:

Life in God's Orchard

Left: "Tree of Life". Photography of Peter Lik.

Summer Sundays: Children's Program Update!

Summer is a wonderful time to worship together as a family. Our regular Godly Play time will resume September 8, but in the meantime we offer an opportunity for children to work with the story in their own way.



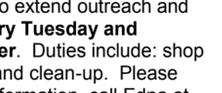
During worship there will be a story shared for all ages followed by some activities for the children's imaginations close by in the Lounge. Some of our storytellers and youth will help out when they are able, but parents are welcome to accompany their children. You will be able to see and hear the service from the Lounge.

All are welcome. See you on Sunday.

Upcoming

Meals on Wheels

First United will be delivering Meals on Wheels for the month of August. Would you like to help? We need two people (one driver and one helper) every weekday to pick-up food from Dr. Turner Lodge at 11:15 a.m. and deliver to homes around town. Depending on the amount of homes, usually finished by 1:00 p.m. This is a very rewarding experience! Please sign-up in the church foyer for one day or many. For more information, call Edna at 780-998-0240.



Community Connections: Kitchen Help Wanted

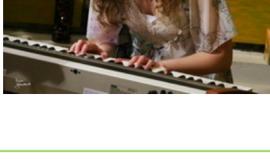
First United has an ongoing partnership with the **Adult Day Support Program**. This summer, we will deepen our community connection by preparing lunches for the program's eleven clients. This is a great way to extend outreach and hospitality. **We are looking for two volunteers every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:30 – 1:30 throughout the summer.** Duties include: shop for food (you are given a float), prepare lunch, serve and clean-up. Please sign-up in the foyer for one day or many. For more information, call Edna at 780-998-0240.

Run for Body and Soul

September 14, 2013

The *Run for Body and Soul* is a community 5km run/walk that begins and ends at First United. This fundraiser will support **First United Church** and the **Fort Saskatchewan Community Hospital Foundation**.

Click [here](#) for a Registration Form and Pledge Sheet. For more info, contact Megan Blumhagen at msblumhagen@hotmail.com.



"Do you know that in a race all runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize"
-1 Corinthians 9:24

ARCT Performance Recital

Join us on Sunday **July 28** at 11:45 am as **Marlee Gates** fills the sanctuary with beautiful piano music. Marlee is an accomplished musician, our church accompanist and a piano teacher. This free concert is open to everyone. Please stay for a cup of coffee after worship and the recital. All are welcome!



Please regularly check-out our website at fsunited.org to keep yourselves updated about our coming events, and to listen to our recorded sermons.

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