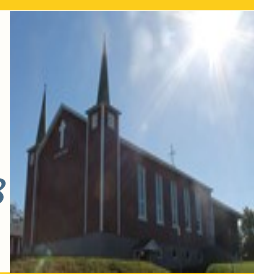




FIRST UNITED CHURCH
Summer Newsletter 2026
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“From the Desk of Reverend Ian”

As spring gives way to summer, we wish everyone a safe, joyful, and refreshing season filled with rest, family, and time to enjoy God’s creation. Whether your summer includes travel, time at the cabin, or simply a change of pace, we hold one another in prayer and gratitude.

While many of our routines shift during the summer months, the life and ministry of our church continue throughout the year. The everyday work of worship, outreach, and caring for our building and ministries remain, along with the financial responsibilities that support them. We thank you sincerely for your faithful generosity and ongoing support, which help ensure our church remains a welcoming and active presence in our community. May God bless you richly this season.

Faithfully yours,

Rev. Ian



UCW NEWS



First United UCW continues to meet one Monday per month in Trinity Hall. The ladies each bring a bagged lunch and the meetings begin at 12:30 with lunch and social time. After lunch we have a brief worship and the business meeting. On June 8th, as we close for the summer months, we will have a closing dinner catered by the Men's Club. We will start up again in September. All ladies of the congregation are welcome, so keep an eye out for an announcement of our meeting time in September. Have a safe and happy summer.

‘UCW QUILTS FOR COMFORT PROJECT’

This project was started in 2003 and since then a total of 606 knitted afghans have been donated to various places and organizations.

The project relies on people to provide wool, knit strips, sew or crochet the strips together and package the finished quilt ready for someone in need. As the saying goes “it takes a village”. If you or someone you know would like to help us, check the big tote bin in the vestibule by the coat racks. You might find some wool there that you can use, maybe you have some wool at home you can donate to the bin, colour doesn’t matter. You can put your knitted strips in the bin. A couple of our women put them together, you can even help with that.

Pattern: You can use any knitted worsted wool, use whatever you have on hand, as many colours as you wish or all one colour. Use size 5mm or 5.50 needles. Cast on 35 stitches. Wool forward, knit 17 (includes wool forward stitch), knit 2 tog, knit to end of row. Continue until 75 inches in length. Cast off. The cast off edge will not look the same as the cast on end. Don’t panic. It will turn out the same when put together. The quilt will have 11 strips crocheted together, then crocheted all around with a single crochet.

The quilt will be distributed to those in need with the following message attached: “THIS QUILT HAS BEEN MADE ESPECIALLY FOR YOU BY PEOPLE WHO CARE. GOD BLESS YOU.”

A Wonderful Outreach of Love. “Be Doers of the Word and not Hearers only”



General Protestant Cemetery Memorial Service Schedule 2026

Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Monday July 6, 2026 at 7 pm
General Protestant Cemetery, Monday, July 20, 2026 at 7 pm
Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Monday, July 27, 2026 at 7 pm

Please note: In the event of inclement weather, the service will move ahead to 7 pm the next evening.

Year-End Closing BBQ

Our year-end closing barbeque is tentatively scheduled for after Sunday service on June 14th, 2026. We will be having a BBQ with hot dogs and hamburgers!! If anyone would like to bring a salad or two, it would be most appreciated. Cake will be served. So round up all the family. Mark the date!! Look forward to seeing everyone!



Greetings from our Stewardship Committee

Surely most of the winter is now over and many of us are looking forward to the warmer, more pleasant time of the year. Let's take vacations, visit friends and loved ones, use our cottages and campers. Let's enjoy these activities while continuing to be ever mindful of what it takes to keep our faith journey and our church mission always relevant in our daily lives and indeed across the society we are a part of.

We all know, of course, that during the warmer months, church attendance drops. Likewise, contributions are less, while at the same time expenses do not significantly change.

For your guidance, the figures below show our financial experience during the first four months (January to April) of 2026.

Operating Expenses	\$98,469.25	Building Fund Expenses	\$11,845.74
Operating Revenue	\$58,811.18	Building Fund Revenue	\$11,336.26
Deficit	(\$39,658.07)	Deficit	(\$509.48)

Ways to maintain your financial support of the church, there are a few options available:

.....Sign up with the 98 already on PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance), or if you already contribute this way, then maybe consider increasing your contribution. This can be done by calling the church office (368-2194) or by email (firstunited@nf.aibn.com)

.....We also accept e-transfer. Just use the church email address. If you are making a donation through e-transfer, please indicate your envelope contribution number and how you wish the funds to be used, i.e, local expenses, building fund, mission & service fund, food bank or other.

.....You may also send a cheque via mail or put it in the church drop-box accessible to the right of the entrance. Our mailing address is P. O. Box 921, Mount Pearl, NL A1N 3C8

Please be assured that, as always, everything you do is deeply appreciated and helpful as we all work together to fulfill the mission and ministry of our church.



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Weekly bulletins are posted online including upcoming events. Remember to sign up for constant contact, so we can email information directly to your inbox and keep you informed of what is currently happening at First United.

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