

# *Welcome to* *First-St Andrew's* **UNITED CHURCH**

Where liberal theology meets the best of tradition



*my*  
**sisters'**  
**place**

**March 4, 2018**

**Lent 3 - Partnering with My Sister's Place**

**10:30 am**



350 Queens Avenue, London, ON N6B 1X6

TEL (519) 679-8182

[www.fsaunited.com](http://www.fsaunited.com)

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.





# Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at [revmichelledown@fsaunited.com](mailto:revmichelledown@fsaunited.com) or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

**Bold type** indicates congregational response. \* indicates to stand, if able.

## Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Theme and Variations *from* Baryton Trio 95

Sheep May Safely Graze

Margaret Trethewey, recorder; Marina Fuller, violin

FSA Strings under the direction of Bruce Richardson

F.J. Haydn

J.S. Bach

## Welcome & Announcements:

First invitation to FSA Annual General Meeting - Tuesday March 20, 2018

Dinner at 6pm - sponsored by your FSA staff, meeting will start at 7pm

## Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

## Lighting the Christ Candle:

Isla & Evan Conn

**Music:** Small Deeds

Joshua Fought the Battle of Jericho

Joyful Singers

John D. Horman

arr. Craig Curry

## Call to Worship:

Nancy Quinn

*adapted from Richard Bott, Dunbar Heights U.C. Vancouver, BC*

One: God, author of our Covenant, we come before you to worship and praise.

**ALL: We thank you for the Covenant that you have made with us, and the symbol of that Covenant including every colour of the rainbow.**

One: We have been given the commandments for life and for faith.

**ALL: How then shall we live?**

One: We shall live the commandments taught as: the ten on the mountain; the three from Jesus' lips; the one to go into the world;

**ALL: How then shall we live? With all that we have and all that we are, we will live lives that reflect God's Grace and God's Love.**

One: We have also been given an invitation to live a life of Legacy.  
**ALL: Then, with all that we have, and all that we are, we shall live a life of Legacy.**

**Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:**

Nancy Quinn

Let us pray:

God of the Covenant, Prince of Peace, Spirit of Legacy: we open our hearts to you.  
Receive us, so that we might receive others. Bless us, so that we might bless others.  
Forgive us, so that we might forgive others.  
Plant within us the seeds of Your legacy of Grace and Mercy, so that they might grow within us and we can harvest them to share with the world.  
Inspire us to your Legacy alive in this community today.  
We pray these things, with the heart of Jesus, as the prayer that He taught comes to our lips as we say together: Our Father ...

**\*Hymn:** VU #242 Let All Things Now Living

THE ASH GROVE

**Music:** I Belong to God  
Fishing for People  
Junior Joyfuls

Marie Pooler  
Sue Hawkins Duckett

**Warming Up the World - Lenten Mission Moment:** My Sister's Place  
Collecting \$5 coffee gift cards and bus tickets

*Next week: Beth Emmanuel Church collecting tasty items for food crafts*



**\*Hymn:** VU#603 In Loving Partnership We Come – verse 3

PARTNERSHIP

Loving community we seek; your hope and strength within us move.  
The poor and rich, the strong and weak are brought together in your love.  
*(Children leave for Sunday School)*

**Anthem:** Gloria in excelsis *from* Gloria  
Ken Baldwin, trumpet; Margaret Trethewey, flute  
with the FSA Strings

A. Vivaldi

**Scripture:** Genesis 17:1-22  
1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Mason Robichaud

**Message:** Crazy like God

Rev. Dr. David Jagger

*Special thanks to our Guest Preacher today! Rev. Dr. David Jagger is the Stewardship Officer for Hamilton and London Conferences.*

## Stewardship Seconds:

Stewardship begins with hearing God's Word for us. Stewardship grows with our living these words in our actions.

**\*Hymn:** VU #117 Jesus Christ is Waiting

NOËL NOUVELET

### Offering

**Offertory Music:** Waitin' for the Mornin'

Pepper Choplin

**\*Offertory Refrain:** VU #120 O Jesus, I Have Promised - verse 1

DAY OF REST

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;  
remain for ever near me, my Saviour and my friend:  
I shall not fear the journey if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

**\*Hymn:** VU #313 God, Whose Almighty Word

MOSCOW

**\*Blessing and Benediction:** Our Covenant of Commitment

**\*Benediction Response:** VU #121 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery - verse 3

Living Water of salvation,  
be the fountain of each soul;  
springing up in new creation,  
flow in us and make us whole,  
flow in us and make us whole.



### Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Allegro *from* Concerto Grosso. Opus 6, No. 1  
FSA Strings

G.F. Handel, arr. S. Dackow

### The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Ken Whatman, Bob Peel, Bob Swartman, Aria Khalili

Narthex Co-ordinator: Jean Knowles

Coffee & Conversation: UCW

Service Support Staff: Ron Bradley

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.