

First United Church

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Office Hours

Monday & Tuesday: closed
Wednesday & Thursday: 9 am – 3.30 pm
Friday: 8 am – 12 noon

We're able to receive bulletin info until **Thurs at 2**

Rev van Vliet's email is firstministercb@gmail.com

His phone is **632-7129**. He tries to take Fridays off

Washrooms

Upstairs: through the door to the right of the stage

Downstairs: through the exit between the coat racks

First United strives to be a **scent free** facility

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Advent II

December 8, 2024



December 8, 2024 – Advent II

Prelude

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship: (Isaiah 40: 3, Matthew 2: 6 & 1: 23)

L: A voice is crying out in the desert: “Clear the LORD’s way! Make a level highway for our God!”

P: You, Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are by no means the least among the rulers of Judah, because from you will come one who governs, and who will shepherd my people Israel.

L: Look! A young woman will give birth to a son, and they will call him Emmanuel.

Lighting the Candles of Hope and Peace

Hymn: *A Candle is Burning* VU 6 v1, 2

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God’s Presence

Anthem

Message: Hope fulfilled – and expectant

Hymn: *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* VU 1 v.1, 5-7

Message: Expectant Hope

(from Isaiah 2: 1-15; 7:14, 11: 1-10; 40: 1-5; 61: 1-3)

Hymn: *Hope is a Star* VU 7 v1,2

Offertory Hymn: *We Give You But Your Own* VU 542

Offertory Prayer

Community Prayer/ LORD’s Prayer

Hymn: *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* VU 2

Blessing

Choral Blessing

The UCW **Christmas Candle Light Service** is set for this evening, Sunday, Dec. 8th at 7:30 pm. All women of the congregation are welcomed to attend. Offerings will go to the Food Bank.

Next Sunday, First United will be at Humber United for the final time in regular worship. Join us there at 11:30 am.

First United’s annual Christmas Eve service is scheduled for Tuesday, December 24 at 7 pm.

Office Hours will remain as usual for the next 2 weeks: Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 3:30, and Friday until noon.

During Christmas week the office will be open:
Monday, Dec. 23rd 9 am – 3:30 pm,
Tuesday, Dec. 24th 8 am – 12 noon,
Friday, Dec. 27th 8 am – 12 noon.

2025 United church calendars are available at the church office for \$10.

Pastoral Relations – Regional Council

Chair: Rev. Ian March-MacCuish

Secretary: Rev. S. Dean Sellars

Dear First United Church, Corner Brook:

The Pastoral Relations Team met on November 14, 2024, and the following motion was made:

Motion: It was moved by Jason Boyd, seconded by Bob Bennett that we approve the Amalgamation of Humber United Church, Corner Brook, and First United Church, Corner Brook.

Motion carried.

The closing service for Humber United is scheduled for January 12, at 2 pm.

Memorials

Local: In loving memory of Willie Osmond by Calvin & Sandra

Local: In loving memory of mother Margie Taylor by Bert, Sandra & grandson Brad

Local: In loving memory of Fay Hiscock by Cliff & Louise Stone

Local: In loving memory of a dear father & grandfather Ches Taylor by Bert, Sandra & Brad

Local: In loving memory of Sandy Hiscock & Darlene Dunphy by Terry & Fred Gullage

Local: In loving memory of Fay Hiscock by Marina Martin

Redevelopment: In loving memory of Willie Osmond by the UCW