

Worship Resources 2024

Full Services including sermons

Pulpit Supply List

\$247 +\$.55/km travel (2024)

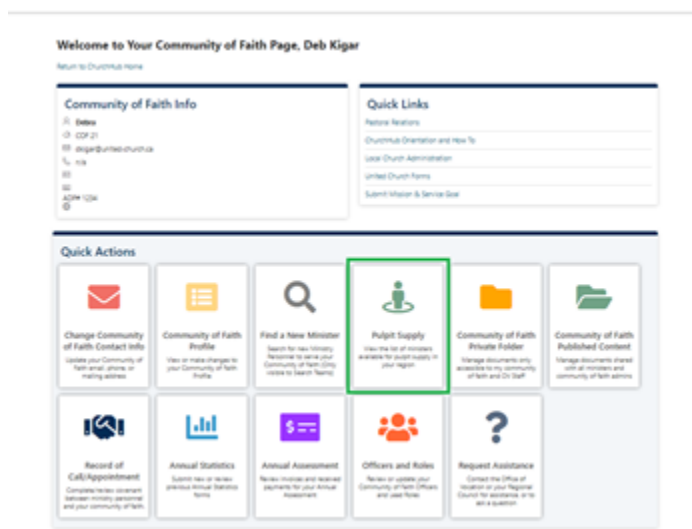
<https://churchhub.ca/>

accredited preachers

This up to date list is now only available to Communities of Faith on Churchhub. **Ministers cannot access the list themselves.** If you do not have access, find the person in the congregation who does, or email the region at hfrca@united-church.ca for the latest copy.

Once you have access to churchhub as a Community of Faith, here are the instructions to get to the list:

Communities of Faith will find a new Pulpit Supply tile on their Community of Faith page on ChurchHub:



Select your Regional Council and you will get a list of ministers who are on the United Church Registry of Accredited Ministers and are willing to do Pulpit Supply. You can sort the list by name or by city. You can also filter the list for a specific name (in the example below we have filtered for Debra Kigar). You will see the necessary contact info (email/phone) to reach out to the minister.

When you select the Pulpit Supply tile you will see this list:

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Pulpit Supply List ☆ 🔔

> Full Name ▼	Email ▼	Primary Phone ▼	Pulpit Supply In... ▼
> Regional Council Membership : Unassigned (2)			
> Regional Council Membership : Antler River Watershed Regional Council (13)			
> Regional Council Membership : Bermuda-Nova Scotia Regional Council (15)			
> Regional Council Membership : Chinook Winds Regional Council (12)			
> Regional Council Membership : East Central Ontario Regional Council (2)			
> Regional Council Membership : Horseshoe Falls Regional Council (17)			
> Regional Council Membership : Shining Waters Regional Council (30)			
> Regional Council Membership : Test Regional Council (1)			
> Regional Council Membership : Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council (19)			

United Church Worship Resources

<https://united-church.ca/worship-resources>

Free, national, themed

Need lay leader/s to present

Include full and partial services

Stewardship in Worship

When we gather to worship, we celebrate and respond to God's generosity with our gratitude and our gifts.

The Called to Be the Church: Congregational Giving Program (CtBtC: CGP) worship resources below include full liturgies, sermons, and young peoples' programming. Find

[Called to Be the Church program resources](#) in the Stewardship section.

Offering invitations, prayers, and stewardship seconds help highlight stewardship in your worship every Sunday!

Gathering

Gatheringworship.ca

Subscription: \$75-100 per year

Guest Speakers from local not-for-profits

Usually free

United in Worship

www.united-in-worship.ca

\$232 a year (may be \$247 for 2024)

For the cost of one guest preacher, you receive access to complete services including sermons for each week of the year. Written and online. United Church resource

Disciples Ministries from the United Methodist Church

Umcdiscipleship.org

Free weekly resources from one of our sister churches in the US
The UMC

Textweek.com (created by Jenee Woodard, Vanderbilt University grad)

Free, ecumenical

This site includes many worship and sermon resources for the lectionary over a three year period. Lay leaders can create services from this site alone that. Not actively maintained, it is still searchable by liturgical date and scripture. Good solid resources that fit nicely with the theological spectrum of the United Church.

Online Preachers

There are many services that are available online that could be broadcast if you have the equipment. We recommend using United Church services and connecting with the church of origin. Watch out for copyright issues.

Preaching Buddy “You can have my sermon for tomorrow.”

Inviting your minister to connect with one or more colleagues anywhere in the country who can share a copy of their service including sermon in an emergency or even planned.

For a vacation (usually five weeks), study leave (3 weeks) or sabbatical (3 months), restorative leave or in an emergency, a colleague or colleagues would provide their services for that period and in exchange, your minister would do the same for them. This would require a good speaker from your congregation.

When two ministers discovered that they each lived near the other’s church, and commuted a distance to their own, they simply switched churches when the weather was bad. In this case, the services were led by the minister.

Preaching/Worship Seminars for Lay People

Free

Have your minister or someone they recommend (a retired minister?) give preaching 'classes' in the spring to those in the congregation who might like to preach.

In one church, this happened over several years and led to a group of members who preached and led worship in the summer, for vacations and study/sabbatical leaves and even between ministers.

Rural Connect Interactive Shared Worship

United Church no internet needed, just a cellular hotspot

Rent of equipment and services

<https://prairietopinerc.ca/introducing-rural-connect-interactive-shared-worship-online/>

The Rural Connect initiative uses a hub/satellite model (or a Host/Partner model) where a hub church hosts the technology needed to connect up to three satellite partner churches in a fully interactive service, where all the churches participate and contribute to the worship.

Prairie to Pine have purchased a number of small boxes that include all the necessary technology and can be affordably rented by satellite churches. They only require plugging in and turning on – no technical skills needed at all. A cellular hotspot ensures sufficient bandwidth no matter what the local internet may be. In addition, we are providing loans for congregations to become hub or host churches, with an easy and generous repayment schedule. Hubs can charge for their services and this provides a revenue stream for repayment and then income for the church in subsequent years.

This initiative is meant to be affordable, accessible, and require virtually no technical skills on the satellite side. If you know how to use the remote control on your TV, you have the skills.

United Church Rural Connect Ministry Network

<https://ucrmn.ca/network/>

A combination live/live streamed resource

Free + depending on the collaboration and equipment needed

For a Sabbatical or Restorative Leave, permanently or during a vacancy, consider pairing with another church. The partner church can be anywhere in the country.

- A hub church provides those parts of the service that the 'spoke' church cannot.
- Typically, worship begins with a time apart for announcements, etc.
- The hub church live streams e.g. prayer, scripture sermon, message, prayers of the people and ending (even anthems and hymns if needed).

The national church has resources for setting this up permanently for churches that need it. Funding may be available for equipment.

Access to Hymn resources:

<https://voices-united-cd-rom-worship-planner.software.informer.com/>