## **BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS: July 4, 2021** 

## **ACKNOWLEDGING THE TERRITORY**

We acknowledge that we are gathered on the unceded traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe First Nation. We pay respect to the elders past and present and honour all indigenous people's reverence of this land throughout the ages. May we live in peace and friendship to sustain the earth and all its people.

Onsite worship services will resume Sunday July 11. Please contact the church office by e-mail or telephone to register by 11am on Friday July 9. We will be able to accommodate 50 people and look forward to welcoming you once again.

**Current Office Hours:** The Church Office begins summer hours in July when there will be an office administrator to assist you on Wednesdays and Fridays, 9-12 noon. Liam will be onsite at varying times.

\*\* During Portico construction please use the kitchen door for access to the church. Ring the doorbell and we will come to help with your requests.

**Rev. Lorrie Lowes** will be on vacation for the month of July, returning to work on August 9.

**Summer Bible Study Group** meets on Tuesday, July 6 at 10: 30 am via Zoom. Theme and Text: "Pay Attention to Grief" (Lamentations 1: 1-11). Let Rev. Kim know if you are interested in joining. Zoom link will be emailed to you.

**INTERAC E-TRANSFER**: To transfer funds directly to BCUC through your online banking service, first set up BCUC as an Interac e-Transfer payee using **'treasurer@bcuc.org'** as the email address.

Then, for each transaction to send money, please enter the dollar amount, select your bank account for withdrawal of funds and select BCUC as the payee.

In the Message line, add your Name and the Purpose of the Funds, if other than a regular donation, and, for a charitable receipt add your envelope number or home address.

Note: a security question & answer is not required as BCUC has enabled Auto deposit of your funds into the BCUC Operating Account.

<u>Final Step</u>: Review your transaction details to ensure they are complete & correct before pressing SEND.

Thank you for your donation.

**Prayer Circle continues in the summer**. Join us from the comfort of your homes or wherever you are. Pray with us at 8 pm every Wednesday. If you have any prayer requests, please send them to Rev. Kim.

I wish to express my deepest appreciation for the many sympathy cards, phone calls and email messages I have received in the sudden passing of my very special friend, Leo Cooney. My thanks, Jean Watson

Donations to **MHI Tulipathon**, as of June 29, were just \$600 short of \$100,000! Matching amounts for first time donors were received from Hobin Architect, an Anonymous donor and MacDonald Construction. Well done all!

On Thursday 23rd June Fariha Shoaib and Alison Bridgewater of the Interfaith Committee of the Jami Omar Mosque and BCUC delivered the gifts that you donated to the Environmental Team of the Queensway Carleton Hospital. We had 48 boxes of snacks, 40 scrubs hats and \$480 in Tim Hortons gift cards which will provide the team with free coffee for two weeks. Three members of the Environmental Team, Renee Chauvin the Organizational Development Specialist and two members of the Hospital Foundation were there to accept the gifts. They were very touched that we had thought of them and the necessary work they do during the pandemic. They were extremely grateful for our generosity and thoughtfulness.

BCUC has received a gift of Cynthia Watson's Steinway baby grand piano which was placed in the Sanctuary this week. We thank Denis Watson for this wonderful gift. The Yamaha piano will be placed in another room for use wherever it is needed.

**BCUC Service Hymns on YouTube:** Abe has uploaded more than 60 of our recorded hymns to our <u>YouTube channel</u> for all to enjoy! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZglhjojFMw/videos">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZglhjojFMw/videos</a>

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES: (In the comfort of your home!)
Text format of the worship service will be emailed to you.
Audio and video recordings will be posted on our website at bcuc.org.
Tune in via Telephone anytime: 613-820-8104

**July 4** – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon Focus: "If I Just Touch the Hem..." (Mark 5: 24-34)

**SUMMER SERMON SERIES:** 

**July 11** – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon Focus: "Look! Take Notice!" (Lamentations 1: 1-11)

July 18 – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon Focus: "No One to Comfort Me!" (Lamentations 1: 12-22)

**Grocery Gift Cards Available for Purchase:** Please help support fundraising for BCUC by purchasing grocery gift cards. The office has the following grocery cards available for purchase:

Loblaws - \$50, \$100 & \$250

Metro - \$50 & \$100

Sobeys/FreshCo/IGA - \$50 & \$100

If you call or e-mail the church office with your order we will meet you at the door. Please ring the doorbell and we will exchange your cash or cheque payable to BCUC with 'gift card' in memo line for the cards. **The office is open Wednesday & Friday mornings in the summer months and other varying times.** 

**BCUC Men's Club** is meeting weekly over ZOOM at **10:00** am on Fridays. Usually a note with the link is circulated. If you did not receive the note, and would like to join in please contact the church office for details.

**Credit/Debit/Gift Card Tabs** are available for purchase in the office. A package of four costs \$5.00. These tabs can be attached to your cards for easy access when hidden in wallet slots.

Camp Awesome will not be happening at local churches this summer. Camp Awesome @Home was held in 2020. This year they have partnered with some other organizations to present an eco-faith based virtual day camp. Here is some information from the registration form.

https://maisontuckerhouse.wufoo.com/forms/wild-wonder-camp-2021-registration/

Wild Wonder Camp is an online eco-faith partnership project between Camp Awesome (United Church of Canada), Greening Sacred Spaces, Country Fun Nature Camp (Tucker House), with support from CanaDiana UnlimiTed environmental educators. To learn more about our partners, please visit the Wild Wonder website (coming soon!) or individual organization sites.

The program uses the Zoom platform, with a minimum of two screened and trained camp counsellors leading activity sessions for ages 5-12. The camp will provide inclusive faith-based learning using stories and lessons from the Bible, and environmental education themes on understanding, appreciation, and exploring nature as part of God's good Creation. There will be outdoor challenges and experiments, guest presenters, and traditional camp activities (online!)

The Camp Awesome Facebook page

https://www.facebook.com/CampAwesomeEOOR listed the themes for each week and stated

Camp includes earth science experiments, stories, art, and lessons from the Bible on respecting all people and the planet.

Some of your campers will remember Raven Miller from her years of experience as a counsellor and Leader in Training at Camp Awesome. She can be contacted for more information at <a href="wildwondercamp@gmail.com">wildwondercamp@gmail.com</a>

I hope you make lasting memories this summer, whatever it may hold. Tamara

CONTINUE TO GIVE! Thank you for your continued love and support to BCUC! Please remember that costs of maintaining the church and paying salaries still need to be met. Your generosity is much appreciated. The following options are available:

- -E-transfer
- -Drop off offering envelopes or cheques in the mail slot located in the kitchen door or mail them to BCUC.

- -For non-PAR users, consider using PAR call the office for more information.
- -Donate through canadahelps.org
- Contact the church office about donating Securities.

Our staff continues working hard to provide the best worship services and contact with congregation members possible in these current times of lockdown. Your ongoing financial support is critical to us maintaining a strong, active as possible, church. Thank you!

**Jigsaw Puzzles:** A stash of puzzles has been here for a year now waiting for a Garage Sale. Since there will be no spring sale and we are in lockdown, the puzzles have been placed on a table in the back hallway and you are welcome to come by during office hours and borrow a puzzle or two (most are 1,000 pieces). You may also wish to donate puzzles you have done and are ready to give away.

Copies of the **Memories Book** can still be purchased. If you did not order a copy before please contact the office to get one now. You will enjoy the stories!

KEEP INFORMED! Visit the Bells Corners United Church Facebook page? If you have a Facebook account, please follow us and like our BCUC page. Information is posted on a regular basis. You can also subscribe to our YouTube page! Watch one of our church services and click subscribe!

Please visit our website <a href="bcuc.org">bcuc.org</a> where you will find both audio and video recordings and text format of the worship services, Sunday School resources and weekly announcements and updates.

## **Long Term Care Facility Residents**

Please keep the following people in your prayers

Beth Begbie Thorncliffe Place, Nepean
Harold & Bea Blackwell Stillwater Creek, Nepean
Ida Blackwell Carleton Lodge, Nepean
Jack Calderwood The Westwood, Ottawa
Betty Clarke Carlingview Manor, Ottawa
Ken Davidson Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Bill Dormer	Saint-Vincent Hospital, Ottawa
Jack Fraser	Park Place Seniors' Suites & Retirement
	Residence
Colette Hale	Lynwood Park, Nepean
Marion Helgason	Stillwater Creek, Nepean
Doug MacKechnie	Stillwater Creek, Nepean
Barbara McFall	Lynwood Park Lodge, Nepean
Dave Peck	Valley Stream Manor, Nepean
Margaret Ritchie	Barrhaven Retirement
J	Community, Nepean
Thelma Seguin	Robertson House, Nepean
Sherrill Shaver	Garden Terrace, Kanata
Eula Smith	Symphony Senior Living, Kanata
Jim Walker	The Courtyards on Eagleson, Kanata
Pat Westmaas	Harmer House, Nepean
Bill Wilson	Redwoods, Nepean

If you know of other congregation members who should be included in this list, please call the office with details.