

## BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS: September 12, 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. All my relations.*

#### Meetings this Week:

**Lectionary Group** meets Tuesday September 14, 10:30 am via Zoom.

**Church Board** meets Wednesday September 15, 7pm by Zoom

**SOSA** meets Friday September 17, 10am by Zoom.

**\*\*Onsite worship services have resumed. We are no longer requiring pre-registration since up to 58 people can attend Sunday worship.** We ask that you visit the BCUC website and look for the list of questions to answer before coming to the service. If you answer 'no' to all the questions you are welcome to come.

**Office Hours:** Fulltime office hours are now in place, Monday through Friday, 9 am -12 noon, 1-4 pm.

*A well deserved **THANK YOU** needs to go from the congregation to **Ross and Jean Brown** who have been keeping the church and property well tended and clean over all these months. Garbage is put out regularly, dusting is done and floors are cleaned. Their dedicated assistance has saved the church thousands in custodial services not used!*

**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.

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

Thank you for your donation.

#### UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

**Text format of the worship service will be emailed to you.**

**Audio and video recordings will be posted on our website at [bcuc.org](http://bcuc.org).**

**Tune in via Telephone anytime: 613-820-8104**

**Creation Time in the Season of Pentecost:**

**September 12** – Creation Time 1

Sermon: "When Fine Print Matters!" (Mark 8: 27-38)

**September 19** – Creation Time 2

Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

Sermon: "Who is the Greatest?" Mark 9: 30-37

**Annual Union Cemetery Memorial Service** – 2 pm. Rev. Kim Vidal leading

**September 26** – Creation Time 3

Sermon: "Salty and Steadfast" (Mark 9:38-50)

It's time to sing again with the **CGS and Bell Canto!** This Fall we will continue to gather via Google Meet and Google Classroom to sing together on Thursday evenings. We sing old favourites and learn new songs and hymns, practice rhythm and note-reading, as well as socialize, play rhythm instruments, and enjoy simple games. New members aged 6 and up are welcome to join us from 6:30-7:10pm each week starting September 16. Please contact Erin Berard ([berarderin@gmail.com](mailto:berarderin@gmail.com)) for more information, including the Meet and Classroom link.

**Chipembi Church/Community House Project!** At last, everything is in place to begin building an amazing meeting place in the village of Chipembi in Zambia! This building, adjacent to the church, will provide offices for the church leaders as well as washrooms and a large multi-use room for meetings and community programs like adult literacy lessons, sewing lessons, as well as youth and young adult activities. Fundraising for this project will be taking place in both Canadian partner churches – Bells Corners UC and Emmanuel UC – both here in Ottawa. The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$22,000 CDN.

**You can help by buying a virtual “brick” for \$5.00** – or by buying several! We will need about 4,400 of them to reach our goal. Let’s help make this dream a reality and change the lives of the people in Chipembi. Watch for more information about this project and updates on our progress, coming soon!

**BCUC Service Hymns on YouTube:** Abe has uploaded more than 60 of our recorded hymns to our [YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZghjojFMw/vid eos) for all to enjoy!  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZghjojFMw/vid eos>

**Prayer Circle continues.** 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.

**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

You may pay by cash or cheque, payable to BCUC, with ‘gift card’ in the memo line.

*Looking ahead to Fall.... We hope to have the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 20 if health protocols allow. If this plan will not work out, the church is also booked for a Saturday October 16 Outdoor Market as we enjoyed in 2020. So, go ahead and make jams and jellies and crafts. We will be having something for the community and ourselves to share for fellowship and fundraising this fall. More details to follow.*

**Frozen Fruit Sales this fall:** We hope to be able to offer frozen fruit again this fall. Details will follow in coming weeks with mid-November delivery.

**Photo Directory:** It has been so long since we’ve been able to be together! Will we recognize each other as the doors open? A new photo directory might help. We began plans for this project before the Covid-19 lockdowns and so had to put it on hold. As things are beginning to open up, we are ready to start again.

Photograph sittings are being scheduled for the following dates:

Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>                      Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>

Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>                      Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>                      Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>

**Please contact the church office to book your time.** Prints will be available for purchase well ahead of Christmas gift-giving. All who participate will receive a copy of the new directory when it is complete (no purchase required).

Contact Rev. Lorrie 613 820 8103 (office) or by email or Nicole Beaudry 613 829 4330 for more information.

**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.

**BCUC Men’s Club** - meets at 10:00 am each Friday. Coffee, tea, and Tim Bits will be served. Contact: David Stafford at 613-592-0296 or email at [davidstafford@sympatico.ca](mailto:davidstafford@sympatico.ca)

**Kanata United Church, 33 Leacock Drive, Annual Book Fair** takes place September 9-11 by appointment only AND September 14-18 with walk-ins and limited capacity. Hours are Tuesday – Friday 2-9pm and Saturday 9am – 4pm. Visit [www.kuc.ca](http://www.kuc.ca) for more information.

**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](http://canadahelps.org)**

**-Contact the church office about donating Securities.**

**Jigsaw Puzzles:** A stash of puzzles has been here for more than a year now waiting for a Sale. Puzzles have been placed on a table in the entryway 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 [bcuc.org](http://bcuc.org) 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*

<i>Beth Begbie</i>	<i>Thornccliffe Place, Nepean</i>
<i>Harold &amp; Bea Blackwell</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Ida Blackwell</i>	<i>Carleton Lodge, Nepean</i>
<i>Jack Calderwood</i>	<i>The Westwood, Ottawa</i>
<i>Betty Clarke</i>	<i>Carlingview Manor, Ottawa</i>
<i>Ken Davidson</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Bill Dormer</i>	<i>Saint-Vincent Hospital, Ottawa</i>
<i>Jack Fraser</i>	<i>Park Place Seniors' Suites &amp; Retirement Residence</i>
<i>Marion Helgason</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Doug MacKechnie</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Barbara McFall</i>	<i>Lynwood Park Lodge, Nepean</i>
<i>Dave Peck</i>	<i>Valley Stream Manor, Nepean</i>
<i>Thelma Seguin</i>	<i>Robertson House, Nepean</i>
<i>Sherrill Shaver</i>	<i>Garden Terrace, Kanata</i>
<i>Jim Walker</i>	<i>The Courtyards on Eagleson, Kanata</i>
<i>Pat Westmaas</i>	<i>St. Pat's Home, Ottawa</i>
<i>Bill Wilson</i>	<i>Redwoods, Nepean</i>



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