BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: September 19, 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 21, 2021, 10:30 am via Zoom. Theme & Text: Salted with Fire (Mark 9:38-50).

**Onsite worship services have resumed with up to 58 people who 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.

Saturday October 16 Outdoor Market, 10am -1pm is now confirmed, as we enjoyed in 2020. So, go ahead and make preserves and crafts. We will be having an event for the community and ourselves to share fellowship and fundraising. More details to follow. If you would like to help or have ideas for new sales areas please contact Bob & Ellen Boynton, 828-3820 or eboynton@rogers.com.

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.

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!

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.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZglhjojFMw/videos

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.

Tune in via Telephone anytime: 613-820-8104

Creation Time in the Season of Pentecost:

September 19 – Creation Time 2 Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

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

September 26 – Creation Time 3

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

October 3 – Creation Time 4 / World Communion Sunday

Sermon: "Bring the Children to the Table!" (Mark 10: 13-16)

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) for more information, including the Meet and Classroom links.

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!

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 with cash or cheque payable to BCUC, with 'gift card' in the memo line.

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 21st
Friday, October 22nd
Friday, October 29th
Saturday, October 23rd
Saturday, October 30th

Please contact the church office to book your time.

Prints will be available for purchase well ahead of Christmas giftgiving. 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 you can Nicole Beaudry 613 829 4330 for more information.

BCUC Men's Club - meets at 10:00 am each Friday. Coffee, tea, and Tim Bits to be served. Contact: David Stafford at 613-592-0296 or email at davidstafford@sympatico.ca

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.

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.

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 have been in lockdown, the puzzles have been placed on a table in the front entrance 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 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

Marion HelgasonStillwater Creek, NepeanDoug MacKechnieStillwater Creek, Nepean

Barbara McFall Lynwood Park Lodge, Nepean Dave Peck Valley Stream Manor, Nepean

Thelma Seguin Robertson House, Nepean Sherrill Shaver Garden Terrace, Kanata

Jim Walker The Courtyards on Eagleson, Kanata

Pat Westmaas St. Pat's Home, Ottawa Bill Wilson Redwoods, Nepean

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