

## BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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**Ministers:** Rev. Kim Vidal, Rev. Lorrie Lowes

**Music Director:** Abe TeGrotenhuis

**Office Administrators:** Ruth Timms, Ellen Boynton

**Acting Chair, Church Board:** Jordan Berard

**Church Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 9-noon & 1-4pm

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: November 7, 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.*

**RETURN TO STANDARD TIME:** Remember to 'fall back' Saturday night. See you Sunday at 10am Standard time.

#### Meetings This Week at the church or by Zoom:

**Victoria's Quilts** meets Monday November 8, 1:00pm

**Unit 4 UCW** meets Monday November 8, 1:30 pm at the church

**Property Management** meets Monday November 8, 7:30 pm.

**Lectionary Group** meets Tuesday November 9, 10:30 am via Zoom.

**Unit 3 UCW** meets Tuesday November 9, 7:00 pm at the church.

**NOTICE OF VACATION:** Rev. Lorrie Lowes is on vacation from Nov 1-7, 2021. For any concerns that need her attention, please speak with Rev. Kim or call the office.

**Coffee & Friends** meets **Thursday mornings, 9:15am**. If you are looking for conversation and friendship, come along and join the group. For details call Bev Wilcox at 613-829-1180.

**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.

**BCUC Men's Club** meets at **10:00 am on Fridays** at the church. Coffee, tea and Tim Bits are served. Contact: David Stafford at 613-592-0296 or [davidstafford@sympatico.ca](mailto:davidstafford@sympatico.ca)

**The Ottawa Carleton Choristers** will be presenting a brief musical Remembrance program at **5pm on Thursday November 11**. If you would like to attend please come to the church at that time.

#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES: (In the comfort of your home!)**

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

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

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

#### Season of Ordinary Time:

**Nov 7** - Remembrance Sunday

Sermon: "Everything She Had!" (Mark 12: 38-44)

If you are attending the onsite service, please wear your uniform.

**Nov 14** - Youth & Children's Sunday / All-Ages Service

Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

**Nov 21** - Reign of Christ Sunday / Recognition Sunday

Sermon Focus: "The A-Z of Faith" (Revelation 1: 4b-8)

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT:** We have been asked to give our financial position now and a year-end estimate. This is based on information to the end of September for the Operating Fund.

	YTD September 2021	Estimated year end 2021	Budget 2021
Expenses	\$332,000	\$425,000	\$445,000
Revenue	\$244,000	\$375,000	\$445,000

We estimate a deficit of about 10 percent.

Expenses are below budget because the expense of cleaning the church was much reduced this year, thanks to the faithful volunteer work of Ross and Jean Brown, and committee expenses were also lower. Congregational givings have been generous, with a slight drop in envelope givings and rental income has been less than usual over this difficult year.

We have little control on expenses to year end, and indeed, fuel costs may increase somewhat.

However, if you are able to **increase your donations** to the work of the Church to year end **by 10 percent**, we estimate that we should be able to enter 2022 in reasonable financial shape. This will enable us to continue to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ here and elsewhere.

Ross Mutton, Treasurer

Bill McGee, Chair Financial Management

### **Glen Cairn United Church Christmas Cookie Walk is online this year.**

Place your online orders at <https://www.gcuc.ca/> by November 26th.

Curbside pickup only at 140 Abbeyhill Drive on Saturday, December 4th at 2021. For more information, please contact the church office at 613-836-4756.

### **For Sale in the Office:**

The following items may be purchased by visiting the office:

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

**\*Lanyards** for wearing on your wrist to hold your keys are available for \$5 each.

**\*Deli Items Available:** Please visit the church office if you would like to purchase some jam/jelly/chili sauce or jam gift crates. These items are left from the Outdoor Market.

**Sacred/Frame Drumming at BCUC:** Friday mornings a group meets to share drumming. If you are interested in joining the group please contact Betty Lynn Schwab at 836-4780 or [bettylynn@theschwabs.ca](mailto:bettylynn@theschwabs.ca)

**\*\*Onsite worship services are offered Sunday mornings at 10am.** We ask that you visit the BCUC website and look for the list of question to answer before coming to the service. If you can answer 'no' to all the questions you are welcome to come.

If you missed the **Guaranteed Livable Income Event** held October 21 you can watch the recording by clicking on the following:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXLdH706OCI&t=198s>

**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 or Rev. Lorrie.

### **The Interfaith Bridge Building Committee of BCUC and Jami Omar Mosque**

has a new project. We are asking for you to donate new hats, mitts, scarves and socks for men, women and children at the Shepherds of Good Hope. Financial donations are always welcome to purchase the items requested. The project will run to the 15th of November. There will be a collection box at the church or you can drop items off at 36 Stillwater Drive.

Our last project involved collecting for the environmental department of the Queensway Carleton Hospital. It was a great success as indicated by the letter received from the hospital foundation. Thank you for your support.

Alison Bridgewater 613 726 9099

**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

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.

### **Haven Gift needs for December 5, 2021 Christmas celebration**

Multifaith Housing Initiative (MHI) is once again holding a Christmas Party for the children who reside at The Haven. Supporting churches are being asked for donations of cookies and gifts.

The details are as follows.

Nut-free cookies only please, not squares (rice krispie exceptions)

To keep the gifts somewhat equitable this year, the planning committee is suggesting not spending more than \$30 per gift.

These are the ages and genders of the children. If you wish to contribute a gift, and/or provide a dozen cookies, please contact Barbara Bole Stafford at [bbole@sympatico.ca](mailto:bbole@sympatico.ca) or at (613) 592-0296 by **November 15** so I can inform Dianne Cardin at the Haven as to what BCUC is providing. I will arrange for pick up at the church or at your home on **November 26**.

Under 1 year	1 boy
2 years	2 boys, 2 girls
3 years	4 boys, 1 girl
4 years	2 boys 4 girls
5 years	4 boys, 2 girls
6 years	2 boys, 5 girls
7 years	2 boys, 3 girls
8 years	5 boys
9 years	5 boys
10 years	2 boys
11 years	3 boys, 3 girls
12 years	5 boys, 4 girls

A few suggestions for gifts are soccer balls, other balls, paw patrol toys, tiny cars, Lego, puzzles, crafts, and any other age appropriate ideas. **Please wrap and label the gifts: boy or girl and age.**

**BCUC Service Hymns on YouTube:** Abe has uploaded more than 60 of our recorded hymns to our [YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFE6OK4raCHsZZglhjojFMw/videos) for all to enjoy!

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**AGING - With Care!** Series of four free workshops for anyone considering care for aging relatives or planning for their own future. Offered by First United Church Ottawa on Zoom, Wednesday evenings starting November 3 at 7 pm. Visit First United Church website [firstunitedchurchottawa.org/events](http://firstunitedchurchottawa.org/events) for details.

The construction of the **Church/Community Building in Chipembi, Zambia** is proceeding! We've had a wonderful start to our fundraising for this partnership project thanks to some generous donations from members at BCUC in memory of loved ones and money raised previously in anticipation of a building project. At last count we had raised over \$10,000! **You can Help!** Buy a virtual "brick" - or many! - at \$5 each. Gather your family, your friends, your choir, your Sunday School class... raid your piggy bank, hold a fundraiser, return bottles... Use your imagination! **Make your donation to Bells Corners United Church (Zambia Partnership Fund)**. Let's make a difference in this small community!

The **2021 Gifts with Vision catalogue** has arrived with so many opportunities to make a difference in someone's life any time of year without leaving home. Copies of the catalogue are in the office but you can also visit [giftswithvision.ca](http://giftswithvision.ca) to choose ways to support the work of Mission & Service within the United Church of Canada.

**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.

**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 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>Geoff Gale</i>	<i>The Ravines, Ottawa</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.*