

## 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 /Wednesday/Friday 9-11 am

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: January 16, 2022**

### 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.*

**Current Office Hours:** For the present the church office will be open Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9-11 am.

**Lectionary Group** meets Tuesday, January 11 at 10:30 am via Zoom. Theme & Text: Jesus Reads Isaiah (Luke 4: 14-21). All welcome to attend!

**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.

*Thank you to all who donated a total of four dozen hats, scarves and mittens to the Mitten Tree over the Advent/Christmas season. The donated items will be shared between OWECC by Peggy Aitchison and NROCRC by Clarke & Ellie Topp. – Gerry Monnot*

**2022 Givings Envelopes** are available on the table in the Entryway for you to pick up at your convenience. They are arranged by envelope number.

**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.

**Coffee & Friends will resume meeting weekly when COVID restrictions allow.** If you are looking for conversation and friendship, come along and join the group. For details, call Bev Wilcox at 613-829-1180.

**It's time to order Turkey Pot Pies!** UCW will be making turkey pies on January 17, 18 & 19. You may place your order by calling the church office at 613-820-8103 or by e-mail: [office@bcuc.org](mailto:office@bcuc.org). You may order a maximum of 8 per family at \$5 each and choose which day you wish to pick them up. Payment can be by cash or cheque (payable to BCUCW). Pickup will be at the **front door of the church** from 2-4pm on the day of your order. Bring containers to take your pies home. All COVID protocols will be followed.

As we all know, the pandemic has taken a toll on our mental health. Since this is a topic not often raised in faith communities, our church has teamed up with Christ Church Bells Corners and St. Martin de Porres Church to form a Christian mental health support group. We're calling it **The Happiness Project** and we're going to meet for the first time on January 18<sup>th</sup> on Zoom. At that time, you can find out what The Happiness Project is all about and let us know how we can address this important issue as Christians. For more information, please contact Michael Hammond at [happinessprojectottawa@gmail.com](mailto:happinessprojectottawa@gmail.com).

**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 Epiphany:**

**Jan 16** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon Focus: "When Scarcity Fails" (John 2: 1-11)

**Jan 23** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany / Stewardship 1

Sermon Focus: "The Jesus Manifesto" (Luke 4: 14-21)

**Jan 30** – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany / Stewardship 2

Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

**Stewardship Campaign 2022** will take place on the Sundays of Jan 23, 30 and Feb 6. Thank you once again for your continued support through your time, talents and treasures to the life and works of BCUC.

**BCUC Men's Club Coffee Morning** Friday gatherings are currently via Zoom.

Contact: David Stafford at 613-592-0296 or email

at [davidstafford@sympatico.ca](mailto:davidstafford@sympatico.ca)

**For Sale in the Office:**

The following items may be purchased by visiting the office:

\* **Credit/Debit/Gift Card Tabs** are available. 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.

**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.

**We are a group of volunteers who are helping the Afghans who helped our Canadian Forces Ottawa and many are currently looking for housing as they have now received their Canadian documents.** They have begun settling the Afghan refugees and some of the families are large. I think they are moving 10 families out of the temporary housing this week.

Here is the wish list: Please note we are not asking or accepting clothes and are only providing furniture to the families

We also ask items be washed, clean and not torn.

1. Everything Kitchen (pots, pans, cutlery, toasters, microwaves, spatulas, dishes, glasses, mugs etc) Kettles for boiling water is a big thing.
  2. Beds - Mattresses and **Box springs** - singles, bunkbeds, double and queen size (singles are in huge demand as the families are quite large) cribs. We are not accepting king size beds at the moment.
  3. Bedding - sheets, blankets, pillows, pillowslips
  4. Dressers -
  5. Sofas and living room chairs
  6. Dining Table and chairs
  7. Lamps
  8. Desks (not large ones please)
- In short - just about everything but clothes and king size mattresses.

Drop off is across from St. Elias Greek Orthodox on Ridgewood Avenue. Warehouse is not always open so it would be best to contact me to arrange drop-off time.

People can contact us at [Afghanmove@gmail.com](mailto:Afghanmove@gmail.com) or telephone Mary Logan directly @ 613 853 1576

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 \$12,500! 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!

**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>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>Kathy Eaton</i>	<i>Starwood, Nepean</i>
<i>Jack Fraser</i>	<i>Park Place Seniors' Suites &amp; Retirement Residence</i>
<i>Geoff Gale</i>	<i>The Ravines, Ottawa</i>

*Marion Helgason  
Doug MacKechnie  
Barbara McFall  
Dave Peck  
Thelma Seguin  
Sherrill Shaver  
Jim Walker  
Pat Westmaas  
Bill Wilson*

*Stillwater Creek, Nepean  
Stillwater Creek, Nepean  
Lynwood Park Lodge, Nepean  
Valley Stream Manor, Nepean  
Robertson House, Nepean  
Garden Terrace, Kanata  
The Courtyards on Eagleson, Kanata  
St. Pat's Home, Ottawa  
Redwoods, Nepean*



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