

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9am - 12noon, 1-4pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 1, 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.

Meetings this Week Onsite & by Zoom:

Property Management meets Monday May 2, 7:30 pm

The Seekers meets Monday, May 2, 2-4 pm, Main Hall. Please Chapters 2&3 of Bart Ehrman's book, *Jesus Before the Gospels: How the Earliest Christians Remembered, Changed, and Invented their Stories of the Savior*. For more info, talk to Rev. Kim.

Lectionary Group meets Tuesday, May 3 at 10:30 am via Zoom. Theme & Text: The Good Shepherd (John 10: 22-30). All welcome to attend! Send email to Rev. Kim.

Worship/CE meets Wednesday May 4, 7:00 pm by Zoom.

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. Or you may fill in a prayer request form and drop it in the Prayer Chalice in the narthex or the Prayer Box at the entranceway. Continue to pray for one another.

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.

If you need help with your **spring yard work** please contact **Connor Fowler** who is offering to help. Telephone: 819-329-2899 or e-mail: christina.fowler74@gmail.com

VEGETARIAN SPRING ROLLS Anyone? Taking orders for frozen or cooked vegetarian spring rolls. Call the office to place your order or sign up on the board across the office.

Frozen - \$22/dozen; \$11/half doz. Fried - \$24 / dozen; \$12 / half doz.

Order pick up during the Spring Garage Sale – May 7, 9 am-1 pm. Look for Rev. Kim. Proceeds: BCUC General Fund.

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES: (Onsite & In the comfort of your home!)
Text format of the worship service will be emailed to you and will be posted on our website at bcuc.org.

Worship Service Onsite and [Livestream](#) at 10 am

Broadcasts will be available for future viewing

Tune in via Telephone anytime: 613-820-8104

Season of Eastertide: "The Way of Being"

May 1 – 3rd Sunday of Easter / BCUC Anniversary and Membership Sunday

Sermon Focus: "Being Peter" (John 21: 1 - 19)

May 8 – 4th Sunday of Easter / Christian Family Sunday

Sermon Focus: "Being Shepherd" (John 10: 22 - 30)

May 15 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Sermon Focus: "Being LOVE" (John 13: 31-35)

Ukraine Crisis *United Church Mission and Service partners are responding to the rapidly unfolding crisis in the Ukraine. Shelter, clean water, food and medical attention are urgently needed. You can help by donating online at united-church.ca, by phoning 1-800-268-3781 ex. 2738 or by sending a cheque to The United Church of Canada, Philanthropy United - Emergency Response, 3250 Bloor Street West, Suite 200, Toronto, ON M8X 2Y4. Please mark "Emergency Response - Ukraine" on the face of your cheque.*

BCUC Men's Club Coffee Morning meets onsite Friday mornings at 10am.
Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

Bells Corners United Summer Student

Bells Corners United Church is seeking one summer student to fill the position of Christian Education Program Assistant, beginning as soon as possible with responsibility to work under general direction at the church until September 2, 2022.

The successful candidate will be

1. **between the ages of fifteen (15) and thirty (30) years of age,**
2. **preferably, a resident of the Federal Riding of Nepean.**
3. a Canadian Citizen, permanent resident, or person on whom refugee protection has been conferred under the /Immigration and Refugee Protection Act and;
4. legally entitled to work according to the relevant provincial/territorial legislation and regulations.

Preferred applicants will

1. Be a practicing, nascent or journeying Christian, preferably one who is familiar with the beliefs of the United Church of Canada.
2. Have a basic understanding of the Bible and the ability to interact with children ranging from four years to 12 years old in a multi-age and virtual setting.
3. have experience with Computer Science, with emphasis on PowerPoint creations.
4. Experience with live streaming video and video editing will be considered an asset.

5. possess an understand of computers, word processing, software updating

Skills Required:

- 1- Be organized, oriented to program planning, have a working knowledge of the MSOffice suite of applications, particularly PowerPoint, Word, and Excel,
- 2- be able to communicate through a virtual medium such as ZOOM.
- 3- Be a self starter with the ability to work under general direction and often alone,
- 4- Be able to manage time well and meet deadlines, and
- 5- have good oral and written communication skills.

The work entails assisting the ministry team with summer Christian Education resources; assisting with live stream video support during Sunday Worship; creating and producing PowerPoint slides of hymns for the BCUC lyric bank and filling in for the administrative staff while they are absent. The work will be performed at the Bells Corners United Church location or as necessary at home, depending on Pandemic restrictions. The successful candidate will observe safe distancing and health protocols, including the wearing of a suitable mask when others are on site. Several specific projects are also being developed. The work entails a five-day work week of 7 hours per-day, including Sunday mornings as arranged weekly with the supervisor. Remuneration is at the hourly rate of \$15.00 per hour and is paid monthly. To apply, contact the search committee by email at bcuc2022summerstudent@gmail.com attaching a letter of application outlining your interest and indicating your qualifications and experience, attaching a recent resume and examples of recent PowerPoint slides you have completed, to arrive no later than Friday May 6, 2022. Interviews will be arranged for the following week. Please use PDF for attachments. attachments in PDF, please.

David Stafford
BCUC Ministry & Personnel Committee

Furniture Storage Request: If you have empty garage space that you would be willing to offer for short term storage of furniture for Ukrainian refugees please contact David Stafford at davidstafford@sympatico.ca or 592-0296

BCUC SPRING GARAGE SALE
Saturday May 7, 9 am – 1 pm

Please bring items in during the day (**up till 7 pm**) on **Friday**. For pickup of items call coordinators Bob & Ellen Boynton, 828-3820. For questions or offers of help, please call the persons named for each area. We cannot accept window blinds, mattresses, carpets, curtains, drapes, sofa beds, bed frames, closet doors, microwaves, computers, monitors, printers and would rather not accept metal cookie tins, lampshades, wicker baskets or electrical fixtures. Please, no broken, cracked or chipped items and no out of season sports equipment.

Plant Table: House plants and hostas, ground covers (eg. periwinkle, violets, geranium family etc) Gerry Okolowsky 829-4330

Bake Table: Plan to donate to the Bake Table, eg. simple foods such as loaves, cookies, squares, breads, cupcakes, muffins. Kathy Wolbert 820-6806 & Sue Thorne 435-5769

Women's & Children's Clothing: Jean Brown, 825-3398 is coordinator. Donations of good clean women's and children's clothing are welcome.

Linens: Bev Wilcox, 829-1180 will be selling all sorts of household linens including bedding, bathroom towels, kitchen linens. Please ensure that donations are **clean** and **not worn out**.

Books/CD's/DVD's/Movies/Records/Puzzles: Bring your donations and take home a new supply! Please no encyclopedia, magazines, textbooks. Larry Ryan 794-2910 & Rick Morrison 829-8900

Furniture: Ron Knox 820-0980 & Ross Mutton 820-6995 will be selling household and garden furniture.

White Elephant/Seasonal Sporting Goods: Please bring your donations of household and seasonal sports items. Yvonne McCartney 343-435-8087

Children's Books & Toys: Monica Peck 868-9567 will sell children's toys, games, books etc.

****Onsite Worship is Back **** Please review the questions on the website before coming to ensure that you are well. We look forward to seeing you soon. And we are invited to sing, still through masks but it does bring joy!

HYMN-SING is back! Would you like your favourite hymn sung in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a joyful occasion? With a suggested minimum donation of \$30, your hymn request will be featured in one of the Sunday services **until June 5**. Proceeds from this fundraising will be used for a **"Welcome Back Family Picnic"** sometime in June! Please send your name, hymn request and dedication to the office via email. Donations can be made by e-transfer, cash or cheque, payable to BCUC with the note: "Hymn-Sing". Thank you for supporting this initiative.

West Ottawa Ladies Chorus presents their Spring Concert *We Rise Again* virtually on **Friday April 29**, 7:30 pm. It will be under the direction of Sosun Suh and accompanied by Peter Brown. Visit www.westottawaladieschorus.ca to join the concert. Concert is free, donations are gratefully received.

If you would like to listen to BCUC choir anthems from recent years, this is the link to the entire archive which is updated regularly...

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d7m3zZp1QNtTadLk8H3k-Fwc8grrjZda?usp=sharing>

Jigsaw Puzzles: Puzzles in a variety of sizes are on a table in the entryway and you are welcome to come by during office hours and borrow a puzzle or two or to donate puzzles you have done and are now ready to give away.

Please join the **Trinity United Church Justice Committee** in advocating for much-needed reform to long-term care and home care.

When: Tuesday, May 10th, 3:30 – 5:00 pm.

Where: outside MPP Jeremy Roberts' office – 1580 Merivale Road, on the north-west corner of Merivale and Meadowlands

Bring: a placard or sign expressing your request (e.g. 'Our seniors are not for profit' or 'Fix Home Care')

Carpooling from the church is available. For more information, please contact Virginia MacLatchy at virmacl14@gmail.com

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

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

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 video recordings and text format of the worship services, Sunday School resources and weekly announcements and updates.

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.

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.

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.

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 Afghanmove2022@gmail.com

**** Bells Corners United Church will accept donations which will be taken to the warehouse from time to time. Please contact the church office for more information**

Long Term Care Facility Residents

Please keep the following people in your prayers

Beth Begbie

Thornccliffe Place, Nepean

Harold & Bea Blackwell Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Ida Blackwell

Carleton Lodge, Nepean

Irene Bossons

Valley Stream Manor, Nepean

Betty Clarke

Carlingview Manor, Ottawa

<i>Marg Creates</i>	<i>The Redwoods, Nepean</i>
<i>Bill Dormer</i>	<i>Saint-Vincent Hospital, Ottawa</i>
<i>Kathy & George Eaton</i>	<i>Starwood, Nepean</i>
<i>Jack Fraser</i>	<i>Park Place, Nepean</i>
<i>Geoff Gale</i>	<i>The Ravines, Ottawa</i>
<i>Helen Gordon</i>	<i>Valley Stream Manor, Nepean</i>
<i>Carl Halchuk</i>	<i>Park Place, Nepean</i>
<i>Marion Helgason</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Bill Johnson</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>Norah Pacey</i>	<i>Hillel Lodge, Ottawa</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</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.