

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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Chair, Church Board: Rotating

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS: September 25, 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:

Lectionary Group meets on Tuesday, Sept. 27, 10: 30 am, Shalom Room.

Theme & Text: God's Faithfulness (Lamentations 3: 19-26)

Victoria's Quilts meets Wednesday September 28, 7:00 pm at the church

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.

BCUC Men's Club Coffee meets onsite Friday mornings at 10am.

Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

Cans & Bottles Recycling: This Sunday bring your empty beer and wine bottles for recycling to raise funds for Youth activities.

NEW THIS FALL!! Mark your calendar! After eight years of holding the Stewardship Campaign in January/February every year, the Stewardship

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.

Committee, with the Board's approval, will hold the Stewardship Campaign 2023 starting on October 16, 2022. We are hoping for returns by October 30, 2022. This will help the Finance Committee in putting together a budget for 2023. The Time and Talents portion of the campaign to update the Church database will be held at the same time.

Please look forward to receiving your Stewardship material in the mail or email.

But the Committee Fair will be held a few Sundays before the AGM in February 2023. And, we hope, soup and sandwiches at the same time.

BCUC has just received a **Certificate of Thanksgiving** from **Mission & Service of the United Church of Canada** with recognition for having given \$43,430 to Mission & Service in 2021! Even better news is that our 2021 givings were more than 2020 givings by \$680. Well done all!

The congregation was challenged to donate to the United Church Emergency Response Ukrainian Crisis Fund.

Bells Corners United Church has responded to the amount of \$801.25 so far. The amount has been matched by a fellow member. Thank You for your generosity.

****Join Us for Onsite Worship **** Please review the questions on the website before coming to ensure that you are well. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Upcoming Worship Services Onsite and Livestream at 10 am

Broadcasts will be available for future viewing

Tune in via Telephone any time after Monday afternoon: 613-820-8104.

Text format of the worship service will be emailed to you and will be posted on our website at bcuc.org. Sunday sermons can be found under the header 'Worship at Home' button the following week.

Season of Creation Time:

September 25 – Creation 3

Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

Sermon Focus: "Is There A Balm in Gilead?" (Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1)

October 2 – Creation 4 / World Communion Sunday

Sermon Focus: "Creation prays: Sustain me!" (Lamentations 3: 19-26)

October 9 – Creation 5 / Thanksgiving Sunday / All-Ages

Sermon Focus: "Creation implores: Cherish Me!"

Choir Practice: Choir rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:15pm so please arrive at 7pm to gather music, organize and chat.

All singers, long time members or newly interested, older or younger are welcome. Let's sing!

If you are interested in participating through other modes of music, please speak to Abe or send a note to music@bcuc.org.

In-Person Youth and Children's Choir practices for those in Kindergarten to Gr. 12 will be held with **two groups** - the Christian Generation Singers (CGS) made up of the younger members, practicing from 6:00-6:45pm and the youth voices, the Bell Canto Singers, joining for some of their rehearsal, then carrying on until 7:15 pm. Please contact Erin at berarderin@gmail.com for more information.

Multifaith Housing Request: It's time to say goodbye to summer and hello to a new season. While you unpack your warmer clothes and change over your closets, consider donating to MHI! We are looking for children's, youth, and adult clothing and goods.

Donate your gently used:

clothes/winter clothes – shoes, boots, scarves, hats, gloves, jackets, curtains, sheets, towels, household items, kitchen items, and kitchen utensils.

Please drop off your donations to The Haven 435 Via Verona Ave Suite 204, Ottawa ON K2J6J5 on **September 28th and 29th only**.

We are hosting a "first come, first served" free item giveaway for the Haven tenants on October 1st, 2022.

TAGWÀGI [AUTUMN] FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 2, 2022

Celebrate Tagwàgi (Fall) at Mādahòkì Farm

Plan to join in many different events over these dates to learn more about Indigenous traditions at this time of year. Madahoki Farm is located 4420 West Hunt Club Rd., right here in our own neighbourhood.

Coffee, Company & Conversation for Seniors is being offered weekly at St. Mark the Evangelist Anglican Church, 1606 Fisher Ave. September 8 – December 15 on Thursdays at 10:00 am. For more information on the program contact St. Mark's at 224-7431 or see the listing on the corridor bulletin board here at BCUC.

It's time for a new **PHOTO DIRECTORY!** After almost three years of trying, the world has finally opened up sufficiently to make this happen - and we certainly need an update. Our last one was done in 2015! Our photographer will be taking bookings for the week of **Monday, October 24 to Saturday, October 29** with both daytime and evening slots available. There is no obligation to buy photos - but lots of options to do so if you wish. Photos will be ready for Christmas gift-giving. Everyone who has their photo taken will receive a directory free of charge. Bring your family! Bring your pets! Let's celebrate this faith community. Call the church office or contact Rev. Lorrie to secure your photo session.

Christmas Bazaar 2022 is set for **Saturday November 19, 9am – 1pm**. This is the season for preserving, so make some extra for the Deli. Knitting and crafts made over the summer will be welcomed as well. Donations may be dropped off at the church beginning the end of October or earlier if you must.

For offers of help or questions please contact the Co-Chairs:

Tina Fowler christina.fowler74@gmail.com or 819-329-2899

Chris Brown furnyking@hotmail.com or 282-5903

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.

Sunday Fellowship Time: We need volunteers to prepare tea and coffee. Please visit the spreadsheet below to sign up for a Sunday or two. We have waited a long time to socialize after worship. E-mail Pierre (pierre.dugas@rogers.com) and he will send you a link to the sign-up sheet. <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sOHGCwqvcO9-EYmwdiknlU5GUYNPQ3bIFRnnAD04A/edit#gid=0>

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.

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.**

Long Term Care Facility Residents

Please keep the following people in your prayers

<i>Beth Begbie</i>	<i>Thorncliffe Place, Nepean</i>
<i>David Bell</i>	<i>Peter D. Clarke, Nepean</i>
<i>Bea Blackwell</i>	<i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i>
<i>Ida Blackwell</i>	<i>Carleton Lodge, Nepean</i>
<i>Irene Bossons</i>	<i>Valley Stream Manor, Nepean</i>
<i>Betty Clarke</i>	<i>Carlingview Manor, Ottawa</i>
<i>Marg Creates</i>	<i>The Redwoods, Nepean</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>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.