

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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Chair, Church Board: Rotating

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS: October 2, 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, Oct. 4, 10: 30 am, Shalom Room.

Theme & Text: Rejoice and give thanks! (Philippians 4: 4-9)

Worship/CE meets Wednesday October 5, 7pm 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.

Seniors Worship Service in Harmer House – Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 10:30 am.

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

Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY – October 30 – 10 am. If you want to transfer your membership to BCUC, please speak with Rev. Kim.

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.

NOTICE OF STUDY LEAVE / VACATION – Rev. Lorrie will be on study leave and vacation from October 3-16, 2022. Please speak with Rev. Kim for any ministerial concerns.

It's time for the **50th Annual Honeython in support of Camp Kalalla**. Copies of the order form may be picked up from the church or requested by e-mail. Orders are to be mailed with payment by cheque or sent electronically with payment by e-transfer. **Deadline for orders is November 1.**

[Order form](#) This Sunday Leslie Wade will be onsite with the honeython display and to answer your questions.

OCTOBER THANKSGIVING CALENDAR: Did you know that you can support both our church and one of our main outreach programs (the Ottawa West End Chaplaincy) by participating in our Thanksgiving Calendar? It can be a fun way to raise awareness of our many blessings and at the same time raise funds for the ongoing work of our church.

Calendars are on the table in the narthex, at the Welcome Centre and in the office. For more information please contact Peggy Aitchison (613-270-0478) or the church office.

Men's Club Dinner: The BCUC Men's Club is organizing a Dinner for Tuesday, October 18 at 5:00 pm to hear about recent affordable housing projects in Ottawa. \$20.00 per person. See the Office for tickets or contact David Stafford at davidstafford@sympatico.ca for reservations. The menu is:

Pork tenderloin with mashed potatoes, steamed mixed vegetables, and Strudel for dessert. Ladies welcome!

Photo Directory Signup Time!! Daytime or evening bookings are available from **Monday October 24 to Saturday October 29**. Contact the office to book a time or look for the signup sheets when you get your coffee on Sunday morning. 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.

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:

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!" (Philippians 4: 4-9)

Stewardship Campaign:

October 16 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost / Stewardship 1 / Theme:

"Celebrate our Many Gifts / Give thanks for our Life and Mission as Good Stewards" (SOSA & Pastoral Care)

Sermon Focus: "When God Knocks: How will you respond?" (Luke 18: 1-8)

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

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.

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.

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.

Christmas Bazaar 2022 is on 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

The Happiness Project, the mental health support group shared by the three Christian churches in Bells Corners, is hosting a concert to raise humanitarian funds for Ukraine. The concert will feature the **Hogtown Brass Quintet** (who have performed previously at BCUC) along with other special musical guests.

The concert will take place at St. Martin de Porres Church on **Saturday, November 5 at 7:15 p.m.** Tickets are available through the church office or after Sunday service. Adults \$25, Seniors \$20 and Families \$50. For more information, please contact Michael Hammond at 613 447 2111.

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-EYmwdiknlU5GUYNPxQ3bIFRnnAD04A/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>

*Doug MacKechnie Stillwater Creek, Nepean
Norah Pacey Hillel Lodge, Ottawa
Dave Peck Valley Stream Manor, Nepean
Thelma Seguin Robertson House, Nepean
Sherrill Shaver Garden Terrace, Kanata
Jim Walker The Courtyards
Bill Wilson Redwoods, Nepean*



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