

## BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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**Facebook:** @bellscornersunitedchurch

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

**Music Director:** Abe TeGrotenhuis

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

**Chair, Church Board:** Rotating

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS: November 6, 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:

**Seekers** meet Monday November 7, 2pm in the Shalom Room.

**Lectionary Group** meets on Tuesday, November 8, 10: 30 am, Shalom Room  
Theme: (Isaiah 65: 17-25)

**Worship/CE** meets by Zoom on Wednesday November 9, 7pm

**\*STANDARD TIME THIS WEEKEND.** Don't forget to 'fall back' your clocks one hour on Saturday night.

**BCUC will host EOORC (Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council) on Saturday November 5.** About 100 Clergy and Lay Representatives from this wide area will meet here for the day. Two Men and a Stove will provide a hot lunch, Abe will provide music support and UCW members will provide muffins for break times.

**Notice of Study Leave:** Rev. Kim will be on Study Leave from October 31 – November 6. For any ministerial concerns, please speak to Rev. Lorrie.

**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.

*Thank you to the Scouts who hosted a Hallowe'en Haunted House in the church gym on October 29 and requested those who visited to bring a food donation for FAMSAC. The donation box was overflowing with the generosity of the community. It has now been delivered to FAMSAC thanks to John MacFarlane.*

**The D. Aubrey Moodie Award** for the graduating student with the highest marks in the Ottawa Carleton District School Board was presented on November 1 to **Jonathan Yuan**, a graduate of Nepean High School who is now studying at University of Waterloo. Susan Young, representing the BCUC Board, noted that Mr. Moodie's wish was that the \$200 award be used for the recipient to 'have fun'.

**Photo Directory Signup Time!!** If you missed your chance last week there is a possibility for some bookings on the 13 November daytime. Please contact the office to book a time. 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.

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

Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

**OCTOBER THANKSGIVING CALENDAR:** It is time to submit your donation from the calculations of blessings counted through the month. Please make cheques payable to BCUC with Thanksgiving calendar in the memo line. Givings will be shared between OWECC and BCUC.

**Volunteers Needed:** We need a set of volunteers to operate slide and broadcasting stations for Sunday morning services. The most important is the projector operator for our live Sunday service with readings and hymns on screen.

The live broadcast system upstairs is pretty straightforward (once it's running) and involves slides, camera(s) and sound booth integration. There is a sign-up sheet on google drive for you to reserve your Sundays at a console.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GqbM0Yv-JtOmhbGrBK-7WIF-29Te0pStCidK80V3\\_rQ/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GqbM0Yv-JtOmhbGrBK-7WIF-29Te0pStCidK80V3_rQ/edit?usp=sharing)

**FAMSAC**, our community food bank, **is looking for volunteers.** if you have a few hours a week, drivers are required to deliver food to clients who are unable to come into the food bank. Also required for about eight weeks: one or two grocery-buyers (which would require a car, lifting and time commitment of 7-15 hours per week). If you would like more information please email: [volunteer@famsac.ca](mailto:volunteer@famsac.ca) or call: 613-820-5428.

**The SEEKERS Group** is holding a **Learning Event** this fall to discuss John Shelby Spong's book, "Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy" on five consecutive **Mondays - Nov 7, 14, 21, 28 and Dec 5**, 2 pm in the Shalom Room. Masking is required. A printed study outline is available on the narthex table. Contact Rev. Kim for more info.

**Coffee and Friends** meets Thursday mornings, 9:15 am. All are welcome! Information: Bev Wilcox 829-1180.

**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.

The Trustees of the **Harmer House Memorial Fund** are looking for a volunteer to join our trustees. We have members from Christ Church Anglican, St. Martin de Porres Roman Catholic and from Harmer House. The trustees meet once, maybe twice a year, to review the investment portfolio and determine any payouts to Harmer House. The fund is used to provide extra money to Harmer House to pay for projects that will improve the quality of life for residents, but which are not allowed within the regular budget. If you are interested in becoming involved on behalf of BCUC, please contact Ross Mutton at 613-820-6995 or [rmutton@sympatico.ca](mailto:rmutton@sympatico.ca) (Chair)

**\*\*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.

#### **Upcoming Services:**

**November 6** – Remembrance Sunday

Worship Leader: Rev. Lorrie Lowes

**November 13** – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

Sermon Focus: "Never Again!" (Isaiah 65: 17-25)

***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. Adults \$25, Seniors \$20 and Families \$50. Payment by cash is preferred. Cheques should be made out to Michael Hammond. For more information, please contact Michael Hammond at 613 447 2111. If you cannot attend yourself you may consider purchasing tickets for those who cannot afford to come.

## BCUC Christmas Bazaar

Saturday November 19, 9am - 1pm

Here are some of the highlights for the Bazaar: The children's store, Bake Table, children's department (donated general toys), Book table, Ladies wear, Deli, Christmas shop and Silent Auction, and of course the kitchen. Donations may be dropped off at the church from now on. For offers of help or questions please contact the Co-Chairs:

Tina Fowler [christina.fowler74@gmail.com](mailto:christina.fowler74@gmail.com) or 819-329-2899

Chris Brown [furnyking@hotmail.com](mailto:furnyking@hotmail.com) or 282-5903

**Silent Auction:** Your unwanted treasures will be welcomed on the Silent Auction table. Items should be of good quality and in working condition. If you have questions, contact Bob & Ellen Boynton: 613- 828-3820.

There will be a **Children's Christmas Store** at the Bazaar once again this year! Sue Morrison and Vicki Martin will be coordinating it. **Donations of small items you may have that would make good gifts** for the children to buy for their moms & dads, grandparents, etc., would be appreciated, such as:

- small gift baskets or mugs filled with items like tea bags, hot chocolate mix, candy canes;
- Christmas tree ornaments
- small ceramic knick-knacks
- unused & unopened toiletry items, e.g., soaps, shower gel, hand cream
- jewelry (please no earrings)

Christmas wrapping paper (rolls or flat sheets), tissue paper, bows, small boxes, Christmas gift bags, gift tags and sundry wrapping supplies are needed. A box is placed in the hallway outside the church office to collect your donations until November 13.

If you would like to **help staff the store** on November 19 as a wrapper or shopping assistant for small children, please email Sue at [rsue.morrison@gmail.com](mailto:rsue.morrison@gmail.com) or phone her at 613-829-8900.

**Shepherds of Good Hope** family is growing! **Hope Living**, located at **145 Castlefrank Rd.** is looking for volunteers to assist with everyday operations. If you are interested in helping please call or send an e-mail. Tel: 288-2929x322 or [reception@sghottawa.com](mailto:reception@sghottawa.com)

As you may know this is the **20th Anniversary of MHI**. As part of the National Housing Day celebration this year, a **Gala** is being hosted on **Thursday, November 17**. As many United Churches have been an important part of MHI during this time, we hope that the United Church will be well represented at this Dinner. It is going to be a wonderful evening and there is much news to be shared. One feature of the evening will be provided by Rev. Peter Woods on saxophone!

**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](http://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](mailto:pierre.dugas@rogers.com)) and he will send you a link to the sign-up sheet. [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sOHGCwqvcO9-\\_EYmwdiknIU5GUYNPQ3bIFRnnAD04A/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1sOHGCwqvcO9-_EYmwdiknIU5GUYNPQ3bIFRnnAD04A/edit#gid=0)

**Jami Omar**, 3990 Old Richmond Rd., is holding its **Annual Dinner** on Saturday **November 5**, 6pm in the Jami Omar gym hall. To purchase tickets, contact [www.jamiomar.org](http://www.jamiomar.org)

**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](http://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](http://canadahelps.org)
- Contact the church office about donating Securities.

***Long Term Care Facility Residents***

*Please keep the following people in your prayers*

<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 &amp; 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>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.*