

## 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

**Chair, Church Board:** Rotating

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

### ANNOUNCEMENTS: November 20, 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 21, 2pm in the Shalom Room. Discuss Parts 5&6 of Spong's *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy*.

**Lectionary Group** meets on Tuesday, November 22, 10: 30 am, Shalom Room  
Theme & Text: "Getting Ready" (Matthew 24:36-44).

**The Interfaith Committee from Jami Omar Mosque, Christ Church Anglican Church, St Martin de Pores Catholic Church and Bells Corners United Church** is holding the second **Winter Gear Drive**. We are asking for donations of new mitts, hats, scarves and socks for men, women and children. The drive is from November 20th to December 15th. Financial donations are welcome and will be used to purchase mitts, hats, scarves and socks. Donations can be left at the church office or in the box outside the sanctuary. Thank you for participating.

**Advent Poinsettia Memorial Flowers** is back! You may make a minimum donation of \$10 to remember a loved one who has passed. A virtual poinsettia will be included in the service from November 27 until December 25. Live poinsettia flowers will adorn our sanctuary. Ross Mutton will be available after the service on November 20 to receive your donation and

**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](mailto: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.

dedication. You may also make your donation and dedication through the church office.

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

Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

**\*\*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](http://bcuc.org). Sunday sermons can be found under the header 'Worship at Home' button the following week.

**November 20** – All-Ages Youth & Children Sunday / Reign of Christ  
Theme: Kindness Day (Micah 6: 6-8)

**Advent Season:**

**November 27** – Advent 1 / Communion Sunday

Carol-Sing at 9:45 am with Sandra Dean & Brian Lipsett

Sermon Focus: "Ready or Not, Here He Comes" (Matthew 24: 36-44)

**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.

**Are you getting into the Christmas Spirit?** As in past Christmas seasons, SOSA is requesting donations of gifts and cookies to support the Multifaith Housing Children's Christmas Party at The Haven affordable housing project in Barrhaven. Our goal is to provide gifts for 8 girls ages 2 – 3, and 12 dozen cookies!

If you can help by donating a gift and/or cookies, please contact Barbara Bole Stafford at [bbole@sympatico.ca](mailto:bbole@sympatico.ca) or (613) 592-0296.

Please select gifts, preferably in the \$20-\$30 range for consistency with all children. Help, especially with the cookies would be greatly appreciated.

The photography for the **2022 BCUC Photo Directory** has been completed. As it goes to publication we are advising that the congregation's information including names, addresses, telephone number & e-mail addresses will be included unless you contact the office to ask that it not be part of the publication.

**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.

## **BCUC Christmas Bazaar**

**Saturday November 19, 9am - 1pm**

Sales areas include: The children's store, Bake Table, Children's department (donated general toys & games), Book table, Ladies wear, Deli, Christmas shop and Silent Auction, and of course the kitchen.

Donations may be dropped off at the church during office hours.

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

**Coffee and Friends** meets Thursday mornings, 9:15 am. All are welcome!

Information: Bev Wilcox 829-1180.

**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)

**Dying for some Palliative Care Information?** Is a free information session being offered in person or by Zoom on Sunday November 20, 2pm at Christ Church Anglican. The session will be led by Dr. Pau Hacker, Palliative Care Doctor and Dr. Val Fiset, Champlain Hospice Palliative Care Program. To register please e-mail: [jenhubbardhelpteam@gmail.com](mailto:jenhubbardhelpteam@gmail.com)

**Emmanuel United Church**, 691 Smyth Rd. is offering **Just Gifts Christmas Market** featuring Fairtrade & local products with proceeds to global partners in Zambia & El Salvador. Online orders: Nov 11-26. Pickup & in-person shopping: Dec. 3. <https://euonlinemarket.ca>

**Stillwater Creek Chartwell Christmas Bazaar, Saturday November 26, 12:00-4:00 pm** 2018 Robertson Rd. Books, Crafts, Knitting, Baking table and more! Everyone is Welcome. All proceeds raised will be donated to FAMSAC Bells Corners to help support our community.

**Wrap It Up! Holiday Market** will be held at BCUC on **Saturday December 17, 10am – 2pm.** This popular event, held for several years in the past, is a fundraiser for the Zambia Chipembi outreach project. Please contact Wendy Morrell at [wendy.morrell@sympatico.ca](mailto:wendy.morrell@sympatico.ca) if you or someone you know would like to book a sales area for the day.

**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-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.



St. Basil's Parish's

"Conversation for Our Times" Zoom Series presents:

Mother Maggie Helwig, priest-in-charge at St. Stephen's Anglican Church in downtown Toronto.

She is a writer, long-time activist and advocate.

She will address homelessness and other issues facing faith communities at this time of intense challenges.

Please register in advance:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYqc-2hpiMvE9IRuQPezB5EVY7u171BAX9v>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

**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>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.*