

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS: November 27, 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 28, 2pm in the Shalom Room. Discuss Parts 7&8 of Spong's *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy*.

UCW Executive meets Monday November 28, 7pm

Lectionary Group meets on Tuesday, November 29, 10: 30 am, Shalom Room
Theme & Text: John the Baptist (Matthew 3: 1-12)

Victoria's Quilts meets Wednesday November 30, 7pm

The Interfaith Committee from Jami Omar Mosque, Christ Church Anglican Church, St Martin de Porres 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.

Woman's gray coat, Niccolini size 12, was mistakenly taken last Friday and returned to the church. Would the person whose coat it is please pick it up from the office and return the coat that belongs to Frank Pope?

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.

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

Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296

Photo Orders which you made for the directory are in the office for pickup at your convenience. Photo directories will be available in the new year.

****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.

Advent Season:

November 27 – Advent 1 / Communion Sunday / Hope

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

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

December 4 – Advent 2 / Peace

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

Sermon Focus: "So You Think John Can Preach?" (Matthew 3: 1-12)

December 11- Advent 3 / Joy

Carol-Sing at 9:45 am with Sandra Dean & Brian Lipsett
Sermon Focus: "Rumour Has It!" (Matthew 11: 2-11)

Cans & Bottles Recycling this Sunday: Bring your empty wine bottles and beer cans for recycling to raise funds for youth activities.

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.

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

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 or call: 613-820-5428.

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

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>

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 if you or someone you know would like to book a sales area for the day.

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.

St. Paul's United Church, Carp is hosting an afternoon of music, fellowship and refreshment on **Sunday November 27, 2pm** to benefit the Canada-Ukraine Foundation. Ottawa area group 'Grateful We're Not Dead' performing. Freewill donation. Information: 839-2155.

The **Ottawa Carleton Choristers** will present their concert *Ponder...Peace* at BCUC on **Friday December 9, 7:30 pm** with a freewill offering. All welcome.

SPRING ROLLS ANYONE?? Did you miss Kim's Spring Rolls at the Christmas Bazaar? Take heart! They will be available at the upcoming Wrap it Up Vendor's Market at BCUC. We are now taking orders. Order Sign-Up on the bulletin board across the office. Pick up - December 17 from 10 am to 2 pm. Proceeds will be divided between Operating Fund & the Chipembi Project.

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-EYmwdiknIU5GUYNPxQ3bIFRnnAD04A/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

David Bell

Peter D. Clarke, Nepean

Bea Blackwell

Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Ida Blackwell

Irene Bossons

Betty Clarke

Marg Creates

Kathy & George Eaton Starwood, Nepean

Jack Fraser

Geoff Gale

Helen Gordon

Carl Halchuk

Marion Helgason

Bill Johnson

Doug MacKechnie

Norah Pacey

Dave Peck

Jim Walker

Bill Wilson

Carleton Lodge, Nepean

Valley Stream Manor, Nepean

Carlingview Manor, Ottawa

The Redwoods, Nepean

Park Place, Nepean

The Ravines, Ottawa

Valley Stream Manor, Nepean

Park Place, Nepean

Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Stillwater Creek, Nepean

Hillel Lodge, Ottawa

Valley Stream Manor, Nepean

The Courtyards

Redwoods, Nepean



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