

BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS: April 9, 2023

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 Tuesday April 11, 10:30 am in the Shalom Room.

Theme: The Doubting Thomas (John 20: 19-31)

M&P meets Wednesday April 12, 2pm.

Worship/CE meets Wednesday April 12, 7pm

OWECC meets Wednesday April 12, 7:15pm

Photo Directories are here! If you are not part of this directory you may order a photocopy version for \$5 by contacting the office.

With Easter and Spring arriving we complete our Lenten project by asking, **"How can we continue to promote new life in the Ottawa River Watershed?"** Keeping rain runoff in mind, encourages us to catch it in rain barrels and to choose organic methods for gardening and lawn maintenance. Choosing native garden plants stops invasives from entering our wetlands. Joining the *Ottawa Riverkeepers Riverwatch*, or the *Youth Water Leaders (17-25 yrs)* programs are opportunities to learn more and participate in water sampling and other protection projects. Phone their *Pollution Hotline 1-888-9KEEPER* if you see any signs of water pollution like algal bloom or dead fish on the river or its tributaries or if you hear of plans that might compromise

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.

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water quality or shorelines. Download their *iCleanup app* to report your continued progress in neighborhood cleanup. Participate in the *Open Water Swim* (1.5 or 4 km), or cheer them on, August 13. More information on all these possibilities and more, and the opportunity to offer financial support, can be found at their website and by signing up for their newsletter at <https://ottawariverkeeper.ca/>

BCUC's Book Club will meet on Wednesday, April 19th at 1:30 p.m. in the Music Room. We will be discussing *The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict, a novel about Hedy Lamarr. "She was beautiful. She was a genius. Could the world handle both?" Newcomers are always welcome - come and check us out. We will also be looking for suggestions for next year's reading list. For further information, contact Ruth Abbott (613-829-2868, fk916@ncf.ca) or Jan Pound (613-828-0548, janice.pound@rogers.com).

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/1sOHGCwqvc09-EYmwidiknIU5GUYNPQ3bIFRnnAD04A/edit#gid=0>

BCUC Men's Club Coffee meets onsite **Friday mornings at 9:30 am.**
Information: David Stafford 613-592-0296 (**Cancelled for Good Friday April 7**)

****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. 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.

April 9 – Easter Sunday & Communion

Sermon Focus : "Angels" (Matthew 28 : 1-10)

April 16 – Easter 2

Worship Leader : Rev. Lorrie Lowes

Sermon Focus: "Thomas" (John 20 : 19-31)

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OWECC will hold its **AGM at Bells Corners United Church on Sunday April 23, 2pm.** An in-person meeting is planned but if Zoom is necessary you will need to contact Neil Hunter at hunternb@bell.net to receive a Zoom invitation. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

Cribbage Social on Sunday April 23rd at 7pm. Find a partner, young or old and let's race our pegs around the board. Free event for all ages. Contact Tamara Glanville for more information 613-292-6990

Glebe-St James United Church invites you to welcome spring at the **Sing-a-Long Sound of Music on Saturday April 22.** The classic film, with all the song lyrics as subtitles, will be shown at the **Mayfair theatre.** Audience members of all ages are encouraged to sing, cheer, dance (and boo and hiss as well.) Costumes are encouraged. Doors open 12:15 pm, screening starts at 1:00 pm, For tickets (\$20 adults/youth, \$10 12 and under) and more information go to livefromtheglebe@yapsody.com

Interfaith Bridge Building on Old Richmond Road (Alison Bridgewater)

If you were asked what death means from a Christian perspective, you would probably be able to provide a reasonable answer. But what about from the Muslim perspective? Come and learn about some aspects of Death & Dying from several viewpoints.

Saturday, May 6th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Jami Omar Mosque, 3990 Old Richmond

Representatives from CCBC, St. Martin de Porres, Bells Corners United, and Jami Omar will form a panel to speak briefly on four topics linked to death, funerals, and how we care for the bereaved.

A question and answer period will follow the presentation of each topic. Refreshments will be served to create an opportunity to mix and mingle with congregants from the other faiths.

Please invite friends and neighbours to join you. Let's have a good showing from BCUC to show our commitment to interfaith dialogue.

For more information contact (613-726-9099) or Rev. Lorrie Lowes

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.

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.

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.

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.

Please take note of the next in **St. Basil's parish webinar series** "Conversations for Our Times" on the topic of Medical Assistance in Dying, featuring Dr. Christopher De Bono as the main presenter. We invite all who are interested in this timely and controversial topic to join us by Zoom on Sunday April 16th, 2:30 - 4 PM.

The session will not be recorded, and it is **necessary to register**, so it is important to spread the word widely in advance.

Please contact St. Basil's parish should you need further information (stbasilsparish@gmail.com).

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.

CONTINUE TO GIVE! Thank you for your continued love and support to BCUC!

Please remember that costs of maintaining the church and paying salaries always 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

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| <i>David Bell</i> | <i>Peter D. Clarke, Nepean</i> |
| <i>Irene Bertrand</i> | <i>Thorncliffe, 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>Jim Gardner</i> | <i>Park Place, Nepean</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>George James</i> | <i>Park Place, Nepean</i> |
| <i>Bill Johnson</i> | <i>Stillwater Creek, Nepean</i> |
| <i>Doug MacKechnie</i> | <i>St. Vincent's, Ottawa</i> |
| <i>Barbara McFall</i> | <i>Robertson House, Nepean</i> |
| <i>Norah Pacey</i> | <i>Hillel Lodge, Ottawa</i> |
| <i>Dave Peck</i> | <i>Valley Stream Manor, Nepean</i> |
| <i>Sheila Prince</i> | <i>Granite Ridge, Stittsville</i> |
| <i>Shirley & Earl Schaubel</i> | <i>Bridlewood Trails, Kanata</i> |



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

2023 Easter Flower Memorial Donations

| <i>Name</i> | <i>In Memory of</i> | | |
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| | | Kim Family | Efraim A. Vidal Sr. & Young Hoon Kim |
| | | Ron Knox | Ellie & Family Members |
| Peggy Aitchison | Ian, My Husband & Brenda, My Sister | Daniel Lanoue | Alice Recker & Peter Lanoue |
| Eithne & Charles Barker | Gregory J. Barker | Judy & Bill Mann | Our Parents |
| Darrell Barnes, Nancy, Darlene & family | Lynne Barnes | Diane & Jim Maxwell | Loved Ones |
| Nicole Beaudry | Gerald Okolowsky | Yvonne McCartney | David & All Departed Family Members |
| Barbara & David Bell | Parents & Sisters | Doris & Scott McElligott | Don |
| Alan Bentley | Family Members Passed | Nora & Bill McGee | Our Parents |
| Barbara Bole & David Stafford | Loved Ones | Linda Miller | My Husband Donald Miller |
| Chris Brown, Kaylee Brown & Susan Oke | Debby Brown | Wendy Morrell | John Morrell |
| Jean Brunton | Parents & Brother | Wendy Morrell | Edna Stewart |
| Johanna Burrows | John Burrows, Poppa (John's Dad) Dudley Burrows, Susan Lucarotti | Sue & Rick Morrison | Loved Ones |
| Jean Butler | Son Philip Butler & Nephew Tom Fraser | Ross Mutton | Gail Harmer Mutton |
| June Cuthbert | Loved Ones | Cindy Pelletier | Donna Mann (Mother) |
| Sarah Donaldson | Dorothy Donaldson | Jan & Norm Pound | Our Parents |
| Brian Donovan | Eileen Thomas | Ron Prince | Sheila's Brother Gordon |
| Marion & Pierre Dugas | Mom & Dad | Sally & John Ross | Loved Ones |
| Pat Dulude | Family Members, Husband & Friends | Elsa & Ross Snider | Loved Ones |
| Lynne Fox | Jean Gallant, Comfort to Gord & Family | Chris Spence | Our Parents & Family Members |
| Joan & Geoff Gale | Family | Pat & Jeff Stoate | David Stoate |
| Jeremy Gollain | | Desna Sulway | Vernon Sulway & Our Parents |
| Ruth & Ian Howes | Loved Ones | Abe, Katrina & Heidi TeGrotenhuis | Susan TeGrotenhuis |
| Ruth & Ian Howes | Alan MacDonald | Diane Vaughan | Frère Denis Règimbald (Prêtre) |
| David Hughes, Sally & Victor Lujetic | Shirley Hughes | Denis Watson | Cynthia Watson |
| Lois M. Irvine | My Husband, Bill Irvine | Jean Watson | Loved Ones |
| | | Nancy Wiles | Departed Loved Ones |