# STEWARDSHIP 2022

This year the format for the annual Stewardship Campaign is altered to simplify delivery. Some members will receive an e-mail of the material, others will receive a regular mailing through Canada Post. This sheet, on the other side, contains the material that you are asked to return to the Church, either mailing to **Bells Corners United Church, 3955 Old Richmond Road, Nepean, Ontario K2H 5C5** or dropping off in the mail slot by the kitchen, or in a collection plate. There are two halves, one for your indication of your desire to share your Time and Talents, and the other half for you to indicate your intentions regarding financial support for the year 2022. Both will help in planning for the year. If you wish, scissor in half. **Please mark STEWARDSHIP on the return envelope.** 

Our church relies heavily on its volunteer support. Volunteers are the backbone of what we do and volunteers make Bells Corners United such a vibrant place. There are different kinds of commitments. Some are for an event, such as the Christmas Bazaar. Some commitments are from time to time, such as ushering. Other commitments are more frequent, such as being a committee member.

If you wish to join a committee or volunteer for a church activity listed on the enclosed sheet entitled TIME AND TALENT 2022, please write the name of the activity out on the other side. If you wish to be no longer involved with an activity let us know that too.

## **Consider PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)**

If you have automatic debits from your bank account to pay for insurance, cable TV, taxes, fuel, or a mortgage, then you understand the PAR principle. It means regular contributions throughout the year that make it easy to donate to the United Church. This improves planning for you, and assures the Church of a regular and planned source of funding for its important work.

## **Charitable Donation of Securities**

There may be a significant tax advantage for you by donating securities to a charity such as Bells Corners United Church where a significant capital gain has occurred in the value of your securities. Giving the securities to a charity such as Bells Corners United Church eliminates the capital gains tax and you receive a charitable donation tax receipt for the full market value of the securities. Please consult your financial advisor for details of how this might be advantageous to you.

The securities involved must be a listed security (i.e. shares, mutual funds, bonds, bills, warrants or futures that are listed on a prescribed stock exchange). And the security itself must be given in order to be eligible for the capital gains exemption. It is important to note that the capital gains exemption will <u>not</u> apply if you sell the securities yourself and donate the proceeds to a charity.

The tax receipt you receive will be for the value of the securities on the day of transfer.

To discuss the procedures involved, please call Ross Mutton 613-820-6995, Donor Securities Contact, for information. The donation forms are also available from the Church Office.

#### **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.

<u>Final Step</u>: Review your transaction details to ensure they are complete & correct before pressing SEND. Thank you for your donation

Time and Talent 2022
Name(s):
I am interested in the following activities:
Bells Corners United Church Estimate of Givings to the Operating Fund for the Year 2022
Name:
Address:
City: Postal Code:
E-mail address:
My estimate of givings to the Operating Fund to support our Church and its work during the year 2022 is per week/ month/ year (please circle)
The plan is to contribute to the work of the Church by:
<ul> <li>Monthly PAR offerings (Initial here if this is a change in an existing PAR)</li> <li>For a NEW PAR account, or to change your banking information please contact</li> <li>Ross Mutton 613-820-6995.</li> </ul>
□ Weekly envelope offerings
□ Periodic lump sum contributions
□ Securities Donation. Please see over
This information will be kept confidential

## Share your Time and Talents! BELLS CORNERS UNITED CHURCH 2022 MANY SHARING OPPORTUNITIES!

#### PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER OF A CHURCH COMMITTEE

- Worship and Christian Education committee Promotes meaningful worship and group participation in religious activities. Promotes knowledge of God, provides instruction in the Christian faith, and promotes programs for spiritual growth and Christian living
- Service, Outreach and Social Action (SOSA) committee Promotes the work and needs of the Mission & Service Fund. Coordinates and participates in programs that proclaim the mission of BCUC through service and outreach and seeks to inform on issues of human rights and social justice occurring locally, nationally and internationally.
- **Pastoral and Spiritual Care Team** *extends Christian love and support to members and adherents of BCUC and the wider community through compassionate listening, educational opportunities, prayer and messages of support in times of life transition, illness, isolation, grief and personal or family crisis.*
- **Stewardship committee** *Promotes an appreciation of Stewardship as a Christian responsibility and provides leadership in the organization and delivery of campaigns designed to obtain financial and personal commitments to the total life and work of the Church.*
- **Membership committee** Maintains the church Membership rolls, welcomes new members and provides Baptism follow-up.
- **Communications committee** *Publicizes the programs and activities of the Church in order to inform the congregation and the community, and maintain the infrastructure to support this program.*
- **Financial Management committee** Administers the finances of the Church in the best interests of the Congregation and in keeping with the overall objectives of the Church
- **Property Management committee** *Manages and maintains the church property and oversees its use.*
- **Ministry and Personnel committee** *Concerns itself with all matters relating to paid personnel of the Church.*
- **Board of Trustees** *Maintains adequate building and liability insurance for our property, manages the Memorial Endowment Fund*
- Church Board Oversees and directs the activities of the local Church.

### CONSIDER YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION BY ASSISTING IN SOME OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES

#### ASSIST AT WORSHIP (Worship and Christian

*Education committee*) - during the service Usher/Greeter Acolyte/Candle-lighters Audio/Visual Team **Read Scripture** Serve communion, Prepare Communion Music and Dance CGS Children's Choir Bell Canto Youth Choir Grace Notes (Ladies' Choir) Men's Chorus Sanctuary Choir (Senior Choir) **BCUC Band** Instrumentalist Occasional vocal soloist Moving Mystery Sacred dancers --after the service Host Coffee Hour (training is provided) -at other times Help decorate Sanctuary Coordinate Ushers and Communion Servers **Coordinate Scripture Readers Coordinate Flowers** Labyrinth Team **ONLINE!** Prepare presentation material in collaboration with the Ministers and the Music Director; Skills sought: Powerpoint slide preparation, Photo/Videographer, Video production, Web Design, Social Media and Graphic Arts.

#### **EXPLORE THE WORD** (Worship and Christian

Education committee)

- Sunday School Teacher
- Explore being a Sunday School Team Teacher
- Care for babies and toddlers in the Nursery
- Help with the Church and Children's Library
- Visit a Sunday School class or Youth Group and talk about a special topic as requested
- Participate in a Young Adult Group (ages 18 35)
- Help at Camp Awesome (week-long in-church summer camp for children) by providing staff support or by providing treats or by after-hours child care
- UP (United People) Group; young people aged 13 years and up
- Mentor a confirmand
- Drive children or youth on field trips
- Help with planning and supporting activities such as Mission Exposure trips and Partnership Visits; Sunday Nite Lite.

Participate or help with discussion groups and learning events such as Lectionary Study Group and Advent and Lenten study groups, the Seekers Group, and the Progressive Learning Circle. Sunday School Celebrations & Other Family Events

## JOIN THE FAMILY MINISTRY TEAM (Worship

and Christian Education committee) Provide supper(s) for Children's Choirs on Thursday evenings

Brainstorm ideas for family ministry events

Organize and implement family ministry events

Liaise with other committees to support family ministry initiatives

## **SPREAD THE WORD**(Communications committee)

Weekly Bulletin folding Bell Ringer Newsletter (writing/editing) Bell Ringer Newsletter (assembly) Circuit Messenger; (deliver Newsletter etc.) Church Archives Operate sound/visual system Outdoor Sign Maintenance Team Promoting BCUC and Community Connections

#### **REACH OUT AND SUPPORT THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD**(Service,

Outreach and Social Action committee) OWECC (Ottawa West End Community Chaplaincy) Community Support in Social Housing Neighbourhoods FAMSAC (Bells Corners Food Bank): packers, drivers, receive phone calls for assistance Refuge NOW (Nepean Ottawa West): committee members, working with new refugee families Multifaith Housing Initiative: Participate in Tulipathon Walk in May, volunteer with fundraising activities and other needs as required. Advent and Lenten Appeals: general assistance Mission & Service Fund Support Interfaith Dialog and Interfaith Events CARE FOR OTHERS AND OURSELVES \* (Pastoral

and Spiritual Care committee) Pastoral and Hospital Visits and phone calls to the ill, recovering, and bereaved Caregiver Support Bereavement Support Group & Learning Events Friendly Visitation to shut-in seniors in residences and long-term care facilities Prayer Circle Send cards for important occasions: sickness, bereavement and anniversaries Hospital visits by trained members of the team Healing Tea & Service \* Note: Volunteers for Pastoral and Spiritual Care Care Training and police record checks. Please speak to the Chair of the Pastoral & Spiritual Care Team or the Ministers for more information.

#### KEEP THE BOOKS IN ORDER (Financial

Management committee) Count offering after service Be treasurer for a special event Assist in the development and management of Church financial records. (*Trustees*) Assist in the church's insurance matters Assist in the investment of the Memorial Endowment Fund

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH WITH OUR MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS** (*Membership committee*)

Tend Information Centre before Sunday Worship Welcome newcomers Coordinate offering rides to Worship Services Provide rides

## SPECIAL CHURCH ACTIVITIES

#### GARDEN SUPPLIES SALE (Spring) GARAGE SALE (Spring) STRAWBERRY SOCIAL (June) TWO MEN & A STOVE EVENTS DINNER EVENTS / OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS: Coordinator, Helping at tables General assistance (e.g., decorating, set-up/clean-up) CHRISTMAS BAZAAR (November):

(all of the above and) Crafts, Sewing, Baking

### **CHURCH GROUPS**

Coffee & Friends; Book Club (monthly); Men's Club; The Seekers Group

### **UNITED CHURCH WOMEN (UCW)**

Join a unit! Funeral and/or Memorial Service Receptions: (Usher / table set-up / serve refreshments)

## DISPLAY ON THE ART WALL! Children, Youth and Adults

You are invited to donate art work for display on the Art Wall between the Office and the Narthex. Details from Office.

## **QUESTIONS?**

The Church Office will be able to help! call: 613-820-8103 email: office@bcuc,org

committee are encouraged to undergo Pastoral