



# Barrhaven United Church

*called to worship sent to serve*

**Welcome!**

*Participating in worship this morning ~*

<i>Worship Leader:</i>	<i>Rev. Carla Van Delen</i>	<i>Organist:</i>	<i>Sara Surjadinata</i>
<i>Scripture Reader:</i>	<i>Heather Chang</i>	<i>Senior Choir Director:</i>	<i>Barb Ackison</i>
<i>Junior Choir:</i>	<i>Mary Walker-Smith</i>	<i>Senior Choir:</i>	<i>Thanks!</i>

<i>Welcome Desk:</i>	<i>Ann MacGillivray</i>	<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Heather Chang and Sandy Maveety</i>
<i>Greeters:</i>	<i>Thanks!</i>	<i>Counters:</i>	<i>Heather Chang and Margaret Cross</i>
<i>Sound:</i>	<i>Adrian Benjamin</i>	<i>Refreshments:</i>	<i>Julie Rissler and Gilly Chadder</i>
<i>Sunday School:</i>	<i>Tammie Hill</i>		

**And you! The congregation at BUC!**

*Thank you to Tom Stone and Don Rutherford for folding the bulletins!*

**How to Reach Us at BUC**

Check the website [www.barrhavenunited.org](http://www.barrhavenunited.org) & follow the links.  
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<u>Happening This Week</u>				<u>Coming Up in December</u>			
<b>Sunday</b>	3	10:00a.m.	Worship Service	<b>Sunday</b>	10	10:00a.m.	Worship Service
		11:00a.m.	Jr. Choir Practice			11:00a.m.	Jr. Choir Practice
		4:30p.m.	Advent Potluck			7:00p.m.	Come Sing Noel
Monday	4	9:30a.m.	UCW Meeting	Monday	11	12:00p.m.	UCW Luncheon
Wednesday	6	12:00p.m.	Victoria's Quilts	Tuesday	12	9:30p.m.	Book Club
		7:30p.m.	Meditation	Wednesday	13	7:30p.m.	Meditation
Thursday	7	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Group	Thursday	14	10:00a.m.	Prayer Group
		6:00 p.m.	Healing Pathway			6:00p.m.	Healing Pathway
		7:30 p.m.	Sr. Choir Practice			7:30p.m.	Sr. Choir Practice
Friday	8	9:00 a.m.	Healing Pathway	Friday	15	9:00 a.m.	Healing Pathway

**Keep in your prayers.....**

In addition to those you hold in your own heart, please keep in your prayers those from our congregation.



*Sandra Fry & family*

*Margery Munro*

*Those of our congregation struggling with seen and unseen illness,  
our indigenous brothers and sisters,  
those who have been mistreated due to their gender, sexual orientation or background.*

*God of many names and many faces, God who looks like me and like you, God whose voice and presence fills this world, help us to see you in every person we meet, and to recognize that each place we stand, each encounter we have, is Holy Ground...today and every day. Amen*

Please call the office, the minister or pastoral care team when family and friends need comfort and prayer. The care ministry wants to extend the congregation's support. Call the office to let us know of celebrations- births, adoptions, engagements, weddings and anniversaries.



➤ **December 10th Lectionary:**

Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24; John 1: 6-8, 19-28

➤ **Stewardship Seconds:**

Let us remember the gifts we have received from God, and in turn, become God's giving hands in this world.

➤ **Upcoming Services:**

*December 5<sup>th</sup>:* Annual Candlelight Memorial Service at Kelly Funeral Home at 3000 Woodroffe Ave. at 7pm. This service reminds us that Christmas time can be difficult for those experiencing grief. Come and hear a message of hope and love even in the midst of the darkness of loss.

*December 10<sup>th</sup>:* Advent 3 and White Gift Sunday (guest speaker from the OWECC).

*December 14<sup>th</sup>:* Advent 4 and the Christmas Cantata



## CARING AND FELLOWSHIP

### ➤ **UCW Luncheon**

The members of the UCW are meeting for a luncheon at “La Porto A Casa”, which is located at 3500 Fallowfield Road, on Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. Please contact Marilyn Fischer at 613-825-5879 for more details.

### ➤ **The Advent Potluck and Carol Sing is happening today!**

Crafts for the children begin at 4:30pm, with dinner at 5:30pm and a Carol Sing afterwards in the Sanctuary.

### ➤ **Come Sing Noel**

*Come and hear local church choirs sing their Christmas music.  
Come join in and sing carols with members of other churches.  
Come make a joyful noise.  
Come Sing Noel!*

The concert will be held on Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary at Barrhaven United. This is a free concert. You will be invited to make a free will monetary offering to benefit the Barrhaven Food Cupboard. Free refreshments will be available during a social time after the concert.

### ➤ **Friendly Visitors for Margery**

Many people in our congregation know Margery Munro, who has worshipped at BUC for many years. She is now living at Starwood Extencicare, at 114 Starwood Road in Cityview area, near Algonquin College. She is eager for visitors. Saturdays and Sundays are particular times she is desiring a friendly visitor. Would you consider visiting once a month, on a day that works for you? Please contact Mavis Mason 613-825-3387 or mavis.mason@sympatico.ca for further information re setting up a visiting schedule, reflecting the visitors availability. Thank you from Margery!!

### ➤ **Healing Pathway**

There will be Healing Pathway sessions Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm to 9:00pm and on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

There will also be Healing Pathway sessions on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm and on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

Your Healing Pathway Practitioners are: Doug Collins, Linda Hearty, Melanie Macdonald and Cathy Murphy. To book a Healing Pathway session, please contact Cathy Murphy at **613-867-8267**.



## LEARNING

### ➤ BUC Book Club

The next meeting of the Book Club will on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am in the Music Room. We will be discussing the book “Don’t Lets Go to the Dogs Tonight” by Alexandra Fuller. All are welcome!

### ➤ Activity Bags

Activity bags are available in the Sunshine corner, at the back of the church, for children to take to their seats. Please return the bags and activities at the end of worship for others to use another time.



## OUTREACH

### ➤ Refugee Committee Year-end Update

As the time approaches for the end of our formal sponsorship of our three Syrian families, we would like to bring the congregation up to date on them and our plans for continued refugee sponsorship and support.

Imad Alkaderi and his wife Kinda Alhamali both have good English skills which has helped them to flourish. Kinda has been twice promoted in the Little Scholars Montessori child care group to be the Director of the Fallowfield facility. They moved in the summer into their own apartment, bought a car and Imad is working for Uber while looking for permanent employment.

Sara Kassif and her two adult sons live with Sara’s sister, near her brothers’ families. Fouad, the eldest works as a carpet installer and Mohannad at Big Rig. Mohannad has plans to go to Algonquin to obtain Canadian certification in Culinary Arts. The sad news was that Sara’s husband passed away suddenly in Syria in the Fall.

Zohour Al Mouhamad and her four children, 8, 11, 14 and 17 have settled well into their school routines and are all speaking English. Zouhour is attending intensive English class every morning. Several members of our team maintain contact with her. Najwa says they are grateful for the new, safe life they have here in Canada and all the support the community has provided them. We have given them two installments of the BUC gift cards (Walmart) and the last one will be at year end.

Finally, in conjunction with the SNMC we have submitted to UCC Toronto sponsorship applications for Imad Alkaderi's parents and two adult brothers, and we hope our applications make the 2018 allocation. Support will again be a combined team of BUC, SNMC and possibly Sequoia. We thank BUC's Outreach Ministry and our Council for their support and commitment to refugees as a permanent part of our Outreach. And I must again express my heartfelt thanks for all the wonderful support I have from the BUC team and our congregation.

Tom Schwarzkopf  
Lead BUC Refugee Committee

➤ **Next Sunday is White Gift Sunday**

We are continuing our tradition of supporting three local ecumenical chaplaincies – Centre 507's drop-in downtown at Centretown United Church; the Carlington Community Chaplaincy, which supports the Caldwell Avenue community near the Experimental Farm; and the Ottawa West End Community Chaplaincy, which works in the Pinecrest-Queensway area.

Representatives of each chaplaincy will join us for the service and will share information about their programming in the hall during coffee time. A representative of the Ottawa West End Community Chaplaincy will update us on their activities during the service.

**Please see the Life and Work insert for a list of suggested gifts.** Contact Liz Nieman, 613-825-8804, with any questions.

➤ **Thank you for your support of the Christmas celebration that will happen this afternoon at The Haven!**

Thank you for the cookies and squares that you baked and the decorations that you donated to decorate the community room for this special event. The Community Building Team is looking forward to sharing some Christian Christmas traditions and a fun time of getting to know each other with the residents of The Haven. There will be several tree-decorating crafts for the children and three short story times during the afternoon - Rev. Carla will use our knitted nativity to tell the story of Jesus' birth; a member of Sequoia Church will read a children's nativity story; and Rev Andrea Thomas, priest at St. James Anglican Church in Manotick will talk about the Christian significance of some Christmas decorations.



**RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP**

➤ **Attention White Gift Shoppers - After Church Today!**

After church today, there will be mittens and hats available for purchase for your White Gift packages. They are high quality and reasonably priced hand-made goods left over from the BUC Crafts and Knitting Table at the Bazaar. All proceeds from your purchases will go to BUC.

➤ **FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF BUC – TIME TO PLAN YOUR 2018 GIVINGS**

All ministries of Barrhaven United Church depend on your regular, generous support.

Envelopes

- To continue your envelopes, please write “2018 envelopes” on your next donation
- To request envelopes for 2018, please use a new envelope and write your complete address and “2018 envelopes” on your next donation

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)

- Current donors by PAR will continue automatically in 2018
- New donors by PAR should complete the application found in the PAR brochure and submit it to Envelope Secretary

Your donation may be designated to

- Local
- Mission and Service Fund
- Other – indicate BUC Outreach, Mortgage.

An interim donation statement will be circulated on November 26<sup>th</sup>. Please pick up your statement in the Narthex.

Receipts are issued annually in February.

If you have questions, please contact the Envelope Secretary, Sara Surjadinata, sarasur38@gmail.com or 613-825-1167.

**Be grateful, be joyful, be generous!**

