



Barrhaven United Church

called to worship sent to serve

Welcome!

Participating in worship this morning ~

Worship Leader: *Rev. Angela Bailey*
 Readers: Scripture: *Lavonne Venables*
 Senior Choir Director: *Barb Ackison*
 Organist: *Sara Surjadinata*
 Senior Choir: *Thanks!*

Welcome Desk: *Melanie Macdonald*
 Greeters: *Karen Aylwin & Kelly Haryett*
 Sound: *Earl Hartwig*
 Sunday School: *Jackie Ashong & Debbie McMillan*
 Ushers: *David Lee & Tracy Annett*
 Counters: *Bruce McCalla & Alan Barlow*
 Refreshments: *Sally Hauser-Hums & Julie Rissler*

And you! The congregation at BUC!

Thank you to Don Rutherford for folding the bulletins.

How to Reach Us at BUC

Check the website www.barrhavenunited.org & follow the links.
 Call the church at 613-825-1707

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bucadmin@gmail.com

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buccouncil.chair@gmail.com or 613-790-1665.

BUC Pastoral Care Team: Melanie MacDonald
bucpastoral.chair@gmail.com or 613-692-4569

<u>Happening This Week</u>				<u>Coming Up- April</u>			
Sunday	26	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service- 4 th in Lent	Sunday	2	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service- 5 th in Lent
Monday	27	9:30 a.m.	UCW Meeting			11:00 a.m.	JR. Choir Practice
Tuesday	28	7:15 p.m.	Council Meeting	Tuesday	4	7:00 p.m.	Facilities Meeting
		7:30 p.m.	Meditation			7:30 p.m.	Meditation
Wednesday	29	7:00 p.m.	Study Group	Wednesday	5	7:00 p.m.	Study Group
Thursday	30	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Circle	Thursday	6	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Circle
		7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice			7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
				Friday	7	9:30 a.m.	Outreach Meeting
				Sunday	9	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service- Palm Sunday
						11:00 a.m.	Congregational Meeting

Keep in your prayers.....

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

*Sandra Easton
Sandra Fry & family
Kelly Haryett
Linda Mitchell*



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.



- **April 2nd Lectionary:**
Ezekiel 37: 1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8: 6-11; John 11: 1-45.
- **Stewardship Seconds:**
Stewardship begins in spiritual formation: God's love poured into thirsty hearts keeps us alive during wilderness experiences.
- **Church Membership**
If anyone wishes to transfer their Church membership to BUC , or become a full member, please contact Church office or Rev Angela at bucminister@gmail.com
- **Lenten Poem:**
DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT? by Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope
Fast from worries and have trust in God
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness and be joyful
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges and be reconciled
Fast from words and be silent - and listen.



CARING AND FELLOWSHIP

➤ **'Sunwich' Lunch**

PLEASE plan to stay for fellowship and food the last Sunday of **March** - May. All are welcome, particularly so for newcomers. IF you are able, a contribution of sandwiches, already cut and on a plate, would be most appreciated. The sign up sheet for this donation is on the info table. Thank You!
Contact person: Mavis Mason 613-825-3387

➤ **Healing Pathway Ministry at BUC**

To book an appointment please contact Cathy Murphy at 613-867-8267. Practitioners: Doug Collins, Linda Hearty, Mel McDonald and Cathy Murphy

➤ **Come! Join BUC's Prayer Circle... Thursday mornings starting at 1000 hs in the Sanctuary.**

Lead by Rev Angela, BUC's prayer circle is a small group of people who lift up each other, the congregation and the community in prayer. All are welcome to drop in casually or to come regularly to experience the comfort and support of this uplifting ministry.

Specific requests for prayers by the Prayer Group can be left at the office or with Melanie Macdonald (613-692-4569 or bucpastoral.chair@gmail.com)



LEARNING

➤ **BUC BOOK CLUB:**

We welcome visitors to our meetings where we discuss the month's selection, enjoy a lively discussion, and socialize with treats. Look forward to seeing you there! Our meetings take place on the third Tuesday of each month, September- May, @9:30 a.m in the music room. For more information call Eileen Parent (613) 692 - 0301

Apr 18- The Dovekeepers by Sue Monk

➤ **Two Opportunities to Deepen your Spiritual Life**

A Study Group on Leadership

Rev. Angela Bailey will be offering an evening study session during Lent on a variety of Biblical leaders: their qualities and faults. This will lead us into a discussion of the qualities we need and seek in our leaders today. The six week course will be offered on Wednesday evenings at 7pm - 8pm beginning March 1st. All welcome!

Have you tried to Meditate?

You are welcome to come and check out the Meditation Group that meets downstairs in the Healing Pathways room every Tuesday evening from 7:30 – 8:15 pm.

Christian Meditation is a form of prayer in silence using the mantra ma-ra-na-tha. The word is Aramaic for ‘Come Jesus, Come’. This practice in a group enriches and encourages our spiritual lives. All are welcome.

➤ **“The Shack” Movie Outing followed by Dinner and Discussion**

All are welcomed to join us during this season of Lent, for the following

Movie Event: The Shack <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2872518/>

based on the novel by Canadian author [William P. Young](#), this is a movie about a grieving man receives a mysterious, personal invitation to meet with God at a place called "The Shack". *Rated PG-13 for thematic material including some violence.*

Date: **Saturday April 1, 2017**

Time: **3:30pm show-time**

Those indicating an interest to car-pool should meet at BUC front entrance by 2:30pm

Theatre: **Landmark Cinemas 24 Kanata**, 801 Kanata Avenue, Kanata ON K2T 1E7

Post-movie Dinner and Discussion

6pm: **Barrhaven United Church**, 3013 Jockvale Road ~ **Basement large classroom**

Please indicate your dinner option preference

1. contribute (~\$15 pp) towards a group order for
 - a. pizza
 - b. Lebanese food (e.g. Shawarma Family Platter)
2. Purchase/bring your own dinner

rsvp by: Wed Mar 29, 2017 noon, to Heather at HChang3@bell.net or Natalie at the church office at [613-825-1707](tel:613-825-1707), providing your

- name, email address and/or contact number
- number of people attending
- intent to car-pool (lift needed vs provided for # of people)
- dinner option preference and any food sensitivities/allergies to know of for group ordering.

Thanks. Heather Chang, Dianne Cardin, Margie Ann MacDonald

(event co-ordinator and discussion facilitators)



OUTREACH

➤ **Multifaith Housing Initiative's Annual General Meeting Sunday, March 26 2017 at 2:30pm**

Barrhaven United Church will be hosting MHI's annual general meeting today, Sunday, March 26, 2017. Registration is at 2:30 pm, with the meeting beginning at 3pm. A reception will follow. The meeting will feature Councillor Jan Harder and will also provide an opportunity to hear from one of the new residents of 'The Haven'. All are welcome to attend!



Please be aware that due to the large number of people expected, parking will be limited. If you are interested in attending, it would be appreciated if you could refrain from parking at BUC. Please consider walking or being dropped off at the church. If you do drive, please park on surrounding residential streets such as Dolan or Pickwick or at the Barrhaven Fellowship Reformed Church across the street from BUC. For safety reasons, we are asking that there be no parking in front of the church on Jockvale Road.

If you would like further information, please contact either Mavis Mason or Trish Barlow.

➤ **An update on our Syrian families**

Our first sponsored family: Imad Alkaderi Alhejani and Kinda Alhamali have settled in very well. They have excellent English skills and are very self-sufficient. Kinda now has a job at Little Scholars Montessori in Barrhaven, and with this stability they have rented an apartment on Meadowlands close to transit. Imad is working hard on improving his English and finance skills.

Our second family: Sara Kassif and her sons Fouad and Mohannad Mardeni are living with Sara's sister in the Hunt Club area. Mohannad moved to the Algonquin LINK program Fouad is already in, since the ESL school was too slow for him. He is in level 4+ (on a scale 0-8). Sara was promoted to ESL level 2 but she wants to move to a more challenging program. Mohannad has been taking his mom and aunt to appointments by bus so all of them learn the different areas of the city. Elaine Best donated a sewing machine for Sara's recently arrived sister-in-law to start a business as a seamstress.

Zouhour Al-Mouhamad and her family of four will move into The Haven April 4th with assistance from the BUC, SNMC and Sequoia team. Najwa is at Woodroffe in a specialized ESL program, and Meteeb is at Longfields DH for this term and then will join his sister at Woodroffe in the fall. Bayan and Ilaf are at Berrigan PS. Zouhour is taking ESL at home and Mavis Mason and Sally Hauser visit to give her conversational practice.

Outreach has generously allocated \$350 and the congregation gave another \$400 for assistance for the families that could use a little extra. Our plan, based on need, is to give Fouad and Mohannad \$100 each, and the balance will be given to Zouhour as circumstances dictate over the year, for example summer clothing, back-to-school, etc. We will use Fundscript cards as much as possible.

All our families are settling in well and we are there for whatever assistance they need. Jane & I have taken a Wellness Course given by Jewish Family Services to inform us of any potential mental health

issues that may need to be addressed. We are all truly blessed to be able to help these new Canadians along their journey.

Tom Schwarzkopf
Lead, BUC Sponsorship Team



RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP

➤ **Congregational Meeting**

Notice is given that a Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 9th following the Worship Service, to receive the report and recommendations of the JSC (Joint Search Committee). Those who vote at this meeting must be in full membership of the BUC Congregation.

➤ **Special Congregational Meeting after the worship service on Sunday, April 9th.**

The purpose of the meeting is for the Joint Search Committee [JSC] to present their report and recommendations to the congregation.

At that time they will announce their recommended candidate for your consideration. Members and adherents will be given an opportunity to ask questions related to the process or to the recommendations.

A vote will then be taken of those Members of Barrhaven United Church who are present [no proxy votes are permitted] to accept or reject the JSC's recommendations.

Please note:

- the Committee's report and the agenda for the meeting will be available electronically and in hard copy one week prior to the Congregational Meeting.
- voting will be by secret ballot – everyone is encouraged to attend this important meeting, but, per United Church policy, only full Members of Barrhaven United Church can vote on this matter.

➤ **Junior Choir**

If you are interested in singing in the Junior Choir, please join us in the BASEMENT large classroom after the worship service on Apr 2 and Apr 9 to make a joyful noise. All children are welcome. For more information, please contact Mary Walker-Smith at 613 823 8104 or nemabefi@sympatico.ca