



# 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>Ann MacGillivray</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>Debbie Backstrom</i>	<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Sandy Maveety &amp; Sharon Switzer- McManus</i>
<i>Greeters:</i>	<i>Thanks!</i>	<i>Counters:</i>	<i>Doug &amp; Ann MacGillivray</i>
<i>Sound:</i>	<i>Neil Smith</i>	<i>Refreshments:</i>	<i>Thanks!</i>
<i>Sunday School:</i>	<i>Tammie Hill</i>	<i>Folders:</i>	<i>Don Rutherford &amp; Tom Stone</i>

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

NOTE: Assisted Hearing Devices are available from the sound technician.

**How to Reach Us at BUC**

Check the website [www.barrhavenunited.org](http://www.barrhavenunited.org) & follow the links.

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<b><u>Happening This Week</u></b>				<b><u>Coming Up in May</u></b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	6	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	<b>Sunday</b>	13	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
		11:00 a.m.	Congregation Meeting			11:00 a.m.	Jr. Choir Practice
		11:00 a.m.	Jr. Choir Practice	Monday	14	1:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
Monday	7	9:30 a.m.	Pastoral Care Meeting	Tuesday	15	9:30 a.m.	Book Club
		1:30 a.m.	Prayer Group			6:00 p.m.	Outreach Workshop
Wednesday	9	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study	Wednesday	16	9:30 a.m.	Bible Study
		7:30 p.m.	Meditation			7:30 p.m.	Meditation
Thursday	10	7:30 p.m.	Sr. Choir Practice	Thursday	17	7:30 p.m.	Sr. Choir Practice

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

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



*Doug Collins  
Sandra Fry & family  
Linda Mitchell  
Margery Munro*

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.



➤ **May 13/ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Lectionary:**

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

Psalm 1

1 John 5: 9-13

John 17: 6-19

➤ **Stewardship Seconds:**

Stewards make a joyful noise to the Lord, proclaiming that we love one another as Christ loves us.

➤ **Congregational Meeting**

Congregational Meeting Sunday May 6th, to discuss and vote on whether we as a Congregation of BUC are called, as well as able to, co-sponsor a new Syrian refugee family. This is a very important decision for our Congregation and we hope that you will make the effort to stay following the service this morning and attend the meeting. Childcare will be provided.

➤ **Sunday Worship**

The congregation is encouraged to socialize in the narthex area while the choir practises in the sanctuary before Sunday worship. The sanctuary doors will open for everyone at 9:45. Those wishing a reflective time before 9:45 are asked to quietly enter the sanctuary through the side door. Thank you!

➤ **Why do we “Pass the Peace”?**

For starters, the act of “Passing the peace” goes all the back to Jesus and the first followers. “Peace be with you” is a greeting Jesus himself used with his disciples (Luke 24:36; John 20:19, 26). The apostle Paul opened each of his letters with the words “Grace and peace be with you” (Rom. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:3; 2 Cor. 1:2). The ritual also embodies our identity as peacemakers (Matt. 5:9; 2 Cor. 5:20) and trains ours hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace.

When practiced as part of the sacrament of Communion, we humbly approach our neighbor by leaving the comfort of our seat, turn to our neighbors, grasp their hands, and speak the words, “The peace of the Lord be with you” and receive the words in turn, “And also with you.”

The gesture is simple, but the meaning is profound. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity (Col. 1:20-21). In the midst of divisions we symbolize our unity through handshakes and hugs (Eph. 2:14-21). Likewise, when we regularly pass the peace we practice God’s call to make every effort to maintain the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3).

In addition, from a human and compassionate point of view, for some people, “passing the peace” will be the only kind, human physical contact they may have that week.

**Why are we now “passing the peace” after we have received communion?**

In that same spirit of breaking down barriers, and caring for our neighbour, we will be “passing of the peace” after we have received communion so that those who may be concerned about their health, or whom are caring for those who are immune comprised, will be able to participate without the concern of cross contaminating the bread that they will consume.

Remember that you may “pass the peace” with a handshake, but also a fist bump or an elbow bump especially if you are ill at the time.

It is our hope that this new location of the “passing of the peace” will contribute to the well-being of our whole congregation and wider community.



**CARING AND FELLOWSHIP**

➤ **You are Warmly Welcomed at BUC’s Prayer Circle**

Do you carry others in your heart? Do you pray silently, out loud, or in the tub???? Do you want to learn more about praying? Have you ever thought of participating in a wider prayer circle?

**Barrhaven United Church Prayer Circle meets informally for an hour in the BUC Sanctuary on Monday afternoons starting at 1:30 from September to the end of June** (Note: There will be no prayer circle on statutory holidays).

Prayer Circle is a time of mutual support and prayers for what is held, spoken or unspoken, in our own hearts -- for others in the world and in our community, for our congregation, for our loved ones and for ourselves.

**YOU are welcome!** Whether your heart is heavy or light; whether you are comfortable with prayer or not; whether you hold your prayers to yourself or pray out loud. BUC's Prayer Circle is warm and inviting and can help kindle your connection with God's light and love whether you come regularly or drop in, as needed.

Give it a try..... simply drop-by one week or make it a habit -- no prior experience is necessary and you might just find that Prayer Circle gives you the boost that you have been looking for.....

➤ **Perth Classic Theatre**

It's time to start thinking about the annual outings to the Perth Classic Theatre event. We have 25 tickets available for each of the following 3 plays:

Sunday, June 24 - There's Always Juliette by John Van Druten - A trans-Atlantic romantic comedy that will keep you wondering if the new romance between a British woman and American architect will survive the doubts, hesitations and missteps that follow a love at first sight meeting.

Sunday, July 22 - Mrs Warren's Profession by George Bernard Shaw - The practical and witty Vivie Warren and her gadfly mother, Kitty, are in for a classic mother-daughter showdown over the source of Mrs. Warren' wealth. This classic take on conventional morality was banned for almost a decade by Lord Chamberlain.

Sunday, August 19 - Angel Street (Gaslight) - As you become drawn into this gripping, classic cat-and-mouse struggle about an unsolved murder, you're never quite sure what is real, and what is an illusion.

The plays start at 2 o'clock and we will meet for lunch beforehand. Ticket prices are the same as last year at \$34 and BUC retains \$15 from each ticket sold. Lunch is extra and you are requested to find your own transportation.

Please see either Evelyn or Barry Finlay for tickets.

➤ **Games Night**

Mark your calendars for more game nights! Lemonade will be provided. Please bring snacks to share. All ages and games welcome!

Upcoming games nights have been booked for these Saturdays through till May from 7-10pm:  
May 26

➤ **Healing Pathway**

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

➤ **Camp Awesome Registration is now open!**

Join us for stories, games, music, crafts and more!  
Pick up registration forms in the foyer of BUC or e-mail  
BUCbible.camp@gmail.com .



When and Where: July 30 to August 3, 10 am to 3 pm at Barrhaven United Church

Ages: 4 – 12 years

Cost : \$65 for the first child, \$60 for each additional sibling or cousin (includes 2 snacks)

Contact Cindy at BUCbible.camp@gmail.com with any questions. Camp Awesome is a Ministry of Ottawa Presbytery of the United Church of Canada.

➤ **CPR and AED Training**

BUC has included in the 2018 budget training for a number of people on CPR and the use of our AED. While the focus of this effort should be on those who are frequently in the building for whatever reason, we are prepared to offer it to anyone in the congregation wishing to take the training. Courses are four hours long and are offered regularly by the City.

If you would like to take this course, please contact George Macdonald at [gecmacdonald@sympatico.ca](mailto:gecmacdonald@sympatico.ca) to register."

➤ **Meditation**

Come and find the quiet centre that leads us to a fuller relationship with God. Please join us for Christian Meditation each Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm in the Healing Pathways room at Barrhaven United Church. We explore various ways to pray through contemplative prayer, prayer of silence, *lectio divina*, guided imagery, music, labyrinth and more. *All are welcome.*

➤ **BUC Book Club**

The next meeting of the Book Club will on Tuesday, May 15th at 9:30am in the Music Room. We will be discussing the book "Cutting For Stone" by Abraham Verghese. All are welcome!



## OUTREACH

➤ **Our Outreach Ministry invites you to an evening on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples - Tuesday May 15 at 7:15 pm in the BUC sanctuary**

The Outreach Team is planning a workshop to help us better understand the UN Declaration and how it might be implemented in our church life and beyond. We would like to come away with ideas for our programming for next year. All welcome. Contact Liz Nieman at [liz.nieman@sympatico.ca](mailto:liz.nieman@sympatico.ca) with any questions.

➤ **Community Garden at The Haven**

The Haven Garden team is busy planning the build of several raised beds for their community garden. There is no need for volunteers for the build of the boxes but there may be a need for volunteers later in the month. As announced last Sunday, there is a sign-up sheet for a few loaves of sandwiches, muffins and cookies for the lunch for the build. Also, if you have garden tools you no longer need, please let Liz Nieman know at [liz.nieman@sympatico.ca](mailto:liz.nieman@sympatico.ca).



## RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP

➤ **BUC Spring Clean-Up, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

Many thanks to everyone who showed up to assist in our Spring Clean-up on Saturday, despite the less-than-ideal weather. We managed to finish everything that needed to be done, once again proving that many hands make light work. -Facilities

➤ **2018 Municipal Election**

BUC will be a voting place for the city of Ottawa 2018 Municipal Election being held on October 22, 2018. There are 6 paid positions available for our location if you are interested in helping out.

Please contact the office 613-825-1707 for details on the different positions or for a application form.