

RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP

Our Gifts:

\$111,657 (\$39 of every \$100 you give)

\$14,945 in Reserve (\$5 of every \$100)

We will continue to gratefully serve with countless hours of leadership and volunteer time. With Rev Melanson's retirement, we have undertaken the search for new ministerial leadership. We are seeking dynamic spiritual leadership for BUC's progressive vision for uplifting worship, compassionate caring and engaged learning for adults, youths and young families. This will give us the inner drive and spirit to actively serve through local outreach and to gain strength and momentum through multiple partnerships.



We will carefully manage and build-up our financial capabilities through faithful giving, fundraisers, rentals and events. We will maintain and use our church building and property in the service of others and as an active community presence. Just as we used part of our land to build Steepleview Crossing, we have provided rent-free space and, now, land to house the new build of the *Barrhaven Food Center*.

We will contribute to a healthier future through our own 'greener' example, through our solar power project, electronics recycling days, and Spring and Fall Clean-ups in collaboration with Steepleview Housing and Sequoia Church. And, we will use the internet and other methods of promotion to spread the word: *BUC: Called to Worship, Sent to Serve*.



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"God's Mission is Searching for a Church": What is Barrhaven United's Commitment for 2017?

WORSHIP

Our Gifts:

\$61,312 (\$21 of every \$100 you give)



We will come together, be uplifted, and gain the inner strength to serve through worship, music, prayer and fellowship. We look forward to the arrival of our new minister in 2017 and to BUC's tradition of inspiration and JOY through special services, anthems, musical interludes and events. Meanwhile, we are benefiting from Rev Angela Bailey's tremendous support, warmth and depth of experience.



CARING AND FELLOWSHIP

Our Gifts:

\$28,320 (\$10 of every \$100 you give)

We will nurture God's compassion, love and healing by providing a listening, hopeful and prayerful presence through our Pastoral Care Ministry, Prayer Circle, Prayer Shawl Ministry and Healing Pathways Ministry. We will continue the warmth of a welcoming, engaging church community through caring practices (e.g. BUC's Casserole Ministry) and the fellowship and fun of Sunwich Sundays, pot lucks, games nights, Men's Breakfast Group, and UCW activities.



LEARNING

Our Gifts:

\$35,935 (\$12 of every \$100 you give)

We are joyful that the number of young families in our midst is growing – we even anticipate that we will need to split the age groups in our carefully nurtured Sunday School!! As a congregation, we will work to find creative ways to meet the needs of a growing number of children, to increase volunteer participation in the Sunday School and to respect the needs of young parents for the quiet, thoughtful oasis that the Sunday Service provides.



We will ALL learn TOGETHER through active participation in worship, music and outreach activities.

As adults, we will continue our strong tradition of growing spiritually and of increasing our understanding of our roles in service and social justice in God's world.

We make this commitment through Bible studies, book studies, multi-faith conversations and UCW learning events. We will grow in spirit and generosity through learning opportunities about poverty and housing, reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours, local outreach and United Church of Canada Mission and Service. Our learning and commitment will walk hand in hand with our year-long approach to *Living Stewardship*: "Be grateful, joyful, and generous".



OUTREACH

Our Gifts:

\$37,211 (\$13 of every \$100 you give)

We will support the work of the *United Church of Canada Mission and Service* and initiatives such as *The Canadian Foodgrains Bank*.

Called to Worship, Sent to Serve! We will continue our exciting and vital work to help alleviate the impacts of poverty and to improve local affordable housing options. Key amongst these initiatives are the *Barrhaven Non-profit Housing Inc.*, including helping the Steepleview community celebrate its 25th anniversary; *Multifaith Housing Initiative*



including participation on the Advisory Group for The Haven, 98 new units of affordable housing in Barrhaven, which

will welcome its first residents in early spring, 2017; and *Barrhaven Food Cupboard* and support of its build of a modern *Community Food Center* on BUC property. We hope to continue with the community garden, following its initiation in 2016, in collaboration with *West Barrhaven Community Gardens*. We also give our support to Center 507, Carlington Community Chaplaincy and the Ottawa West End Community Chaplaincy.



We will work with partners to promote human rights, diversity and reconciliation, and to support those who are struggling. This includes our *Refugee Sponsorship Project* in partnership with the South Nepean Muslim Community and the

Sequoia Church to support and welcome one Eritrean and three Syrian families to our community. It also embraces our work with the *Ottawa Right Relations Network* and truth and reconciliation initiatives to help us on our journey towards reconciliation with our Indigenous neighbours.