## This Sunday @ BCUC

15th July — Communion

Interrobang

9:00am Contemporary and 10:30am Classic : Rev Dr. Gary Stuckey 10:30am Café : Rev Rob Williams

2 Sam 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

# **UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC**

## Monday 16th July 2:00pm Monday Communion

*Tuesday 17th July* 9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

Wednesday 18th July 7:45am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Prayer Meeting *Thursday 19th July* 9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew 12noon Friendship Club 6:00pm Worship & Music Ministry 7:30pm Choir practice

Saturday 21st July 7:30pm Saturday Friendship Club

Sunday 22nd July 12:30pm Meeting of the Congregation

# Next Sunday @ BCUC

22nd July

9:00am Contemporary and 10:30am Café : Donald Sarre 10:30am Classic : Keith Maynard

2 Sam 7:1-14a; Psalm 89:20-37; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56; **Romans 12:1-8; John 20:19-22** 

#### Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

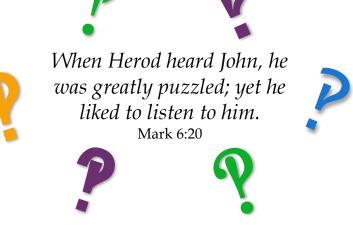
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Sunday 15th July 2018

## WELCOME

Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service , so that we can get to know each other better.



#### Ministry Team Contacts

Supply Minister: Rev Dr. Gary Stuckey 0437 708 183 Minister in Association: Rev Rob Williams 0424 123 171 All Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required Youth Coordinator: Ben Randall 0403 369 154 Administrator: Deb Mugford Tuesday & Thursday 9am-2:30pm Administration Assistant: Stuart MacAdam on leave through August 8th Office Hours - 9am-12 noon Tuesday and Thursday



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## A MESSAGE FROM GARY

**Interrobang?** In 1968 Remington-Rand introduced a new key on its typewriters. It was a punctuation mark called the Interrobang : **?** 

It was first proposed in 1962 by Martin Speckter in an article he wrote for "TYPEtalks Magazine" and was the first new punctuation mark proposed since 1671. As you can see it is a cross between a question mark (?) and an exclamation mark (!). The name comes from printers jargon where a question is called an interro and the exclamation mark is called a bang.

The reason why Remington-Rand introduced it was because they said it filled a gap in our English language. There are times, they said, where neither the question mark nor the exclamation mark is quite the appropriate symbol. The interrobang would come at the end of sentence where we might find a series of question and exclamation marks: !?!?!?. They would be sentences which express both astonishment and curiosity, wonder and uncertainty.

In this punctuation mark we have been given a new way of looking at faith and life because there are times when neither the ! or the ? is the appropriate symbol for what is happening. These are the times in life where we both want to affirm and question what is going on. It comes at a point where what we know and do not know meet, where faith and doubt converge.

It comes, for example, in the face of terrible tragedy where we want to ask how this could happen? Why? What's the point? But at the same we are not left in the world of questions and uncertainty. We still can affirm our faith in life, the goodness of creation and a loving God.

In summary then, the Interrobang means: "We must never allow what we do know to blind us to what is yet to be known. We must never allow what we do not know to rob us of confidence in what we do know."

The JNC has felt buoyed by the ongoing prayers of so many at BCUC. Please continue to pray for all involved, that God's peace will constantly surround as confirmation of His will.

The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace. Psalm 29: 11 NIV

#### Meeting of the Congregation

At 12.30 on Sunday **July 22nd**, we have called a single issue Meeting of the Congregation to receive and vote on a proposal from the Joint Nominating Committee. We would ask that people bring their own lunch and we can eat together after the 10.30 and Café services and then hold the meeting.

# Turning the Tide, Reclaiming Religious Freedom in Australia

This is the title and aim of a petition organised by BARNABUS FUND to be presented to the Federal Government. **TODAY** is your last chance to sign this petition which is available in the foyer. Copies of a helpful booklet explaining the need for legislation by the Australian Government is available; READ IT – PASS IT ON.

## Giving envelope sets 2018-2019

New sets of envelopes dating from 12/8/2018 to 4/8/2019 (52 weeks) will be available in the foyer from **TODAY**. Any enquiries regarding giving may be directed to the Giving Recorder at the Sunday church services or phone on 8193-0309 or email rayjoc-ni@theashbrook.com.au. Ray Nicholson, Giving Recorder

## Anniversary Service August 26

9:30am Combined Service 10:30am Morning Tea 11am Chats Live 12pm Shared Lunch

Save the date!

#### Women's Ministry

There will be a Women's Ministry afternoon of 'Quidler' games at the home of Ann Ellis on **Wednesday July 18th** at 1pm. RSVP or for more information to Ann 8431 9392 or Jocelyn 8193 0309 by Sunday 15th.

#### Monday Communion

A communion service will be held Monday **July 16th at 2pm** in the Chapel. All are invited.

# BCUC Saturday Friendship Club

This month's meeting on **July 21st** is something special. Being placed with her parents in Belsen concentration camp at 4 months old, Eva Temple will tell the story of her survival. 7:15pm for a 7:30 start. Basket supper, visitors welcome.

## Personal Prayer

Prayer is available after the 10:30 service in the Café.

Please e-mail articles for the BCUC weekly news to Stuart MacAdam at info@burnsidecityuc.org.au no later than 10am on Wednesday