This Sunday @ BCUC

24th June

Glimpses of the Future

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

1 Sam 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49 or 1 Sam 17:57-18:5, 10-16; Psalm 9:9-20 or 133; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; **Mark 4:35-41**

UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC

Monday 25th June Thursday 28th June

10:00am mainly music 9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew

12noon Friendship Club

Tuesday 26th June 6:00pm Worship & Music Ministry

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis 7:30pm Choir practice

9:30am Playgroup

7:00pm Church Council Meeting Friday

Friday 29th June 7:00pm Youth Group

Wednesday 27th June

7:45am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC

1st July

Healing

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

2 Sam 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; **Mark 5:21-43**

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au



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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 Monday & Wednesday 9am-2:30pm

Office Hours - 9am-12 noon Monday to Thursday

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Passionately Engaged in Mission

A MESSAGE FROM GARY

Who is this? Someone, who has much more time on their hands than you or I have, has counted that in the Bible there are 365 injunctions to 'fear not'. Neat I suppose; one for every day of the year.

Fear is at the centre of the Gospel story for today. It's a story we know well. At the close of another day's teaching Jesus says to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." So they head off across Lake Galilee only to encounter one of the infamous sudden storms that can crop up on that body of water. The disciples, some at least who are seasoned fishermen, fear for their lives. And in the midst of this terror Jesus seems blissfully unconcerned, remaining fast asleep in the boat.

When the disciples finally wake him up they protest his seeming lack of concern; "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" In response Jesus calmed the storm with his words, "Peace! Be still!" This, unsurprisingly, causes the disciples to ask, "Who is this..?"

The Hebrew people, Jesus people, were not a sea faring people. The great waters were seen as the abode of chaos and the cause of fear thus to be avoided. This violent storm is to remind us of the watery chaos from which creation was brought forth. (Genesis 1:2) It was the prerogative of the divine Creator to bring order out of the water's chaos. The Psalm for today (107:29) says the same: "He made the storm be still." Thus we find Jesus doing things reserved for God- ordering chaos, conquering the forces of death, assuring the endurance of life. No wonder the disciples asked, "Who is this." The answer: he is the One who can command the created order.

To jump to the end of the story, the disciples fear is overcome, not by a sudden burst of bravado, but by the presence of Jesus. We will all face fears in our lives; some will threaten to overwhelm us. But we face them, not relying on our own resources, but with the awareness we do not face them alone.

The JNC team has now had a conversation with a potential minister as the journey of discernment continues. We will continue to keep you updated and we value your ongoing prayer support in the meantime. Pray that the JNC and the potential minister have confidence that as they pray according to His word that He will hear them and will answer them.

This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us – whatever we ask – we know that we have what we asked of Him. John 5:14-15

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

Church Council Meeting

Tuesday June 26th. 6:30pm devotions 7:00pm meeting held in the Beaumont Room on the first floor. All invited to attend this meeting to observe. Previous CC minutes available at reception.

Youth Group — Live Life Loud

The Youth Group will be attending the Live Life Loud event on Friday June 29th, 7pm at Hope Valley Uniting Church. Live Life Loud is an interdenominational high energy worship night that endeavours to bring young people together. \$5 entry. The event features: Praise Party and Worship, 'Gladiator Arena', Bouncy Castle, FREE DONUTS, Video Games, The Polaroid Room, Basketball + More!! Contact Ben Randall for further details.

Dr Jon's Pantry - Come and Taste...

some of our specialty produce! A tasting will be held **Today** after each service. Quince Jelly, Persimmon Jam, Lemon & Lime marmalade, and Fruit Chutney.

BICC Quiz Night

Raising funds for Chaplaincy in local schools. The Burnside Inter-Church Council is hosting its annual Quiz night at BCUC on Friday, July 27th at 7pm. Tickets are \$20 and are available from Rex King; BYO drinks, nibbles, & coins.

Monday Day Fellowship

The Fellowship's Birthday Meeting will be held on **July 2nd at 1:30pm** and will feature the West Croydon Singers. Members should invite friends and bring a plate for afternoon tea. Members of the Congregation are very welcome to attend. See Ruth Daws for more information.

UnitingWorld

is currently running a June campaign to fund their projects in East & West Timor, Indonesia, India, and Zimbabwe. For every one dollar given, the Australian Government adds five dollars. Envelopes are on the table in the foyer.

Personal Prayer

Prayer is available after the 10:30am service in the Café. If you would like confidential personal prayer for healing or anything else that may be troubling you, please contact either Angela Andrew, Sally Andrew or Colette Williams and we will arrange a convenient time and place to pray with you.

Hizbiz a Men's Group

All gentlemen welcome to share a 12 noon lunch @ the Marryatville Hotel on **Tuesday June 26th**. Contact Rex or Leigh if attending.

Please e-mail articles for the BCUC weekly news to Stuart MacAdam at info@burnsidecityuc.org.au no later than 12noon on Tuesday