



TODAY @ BCUC

3rd December

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic: Rev Dr Gary Stuckey

10:30am Café: Rev Matthew Bond

Isaiah 64:1-9, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19, **1 Corinthians 1:3-9**, Mark 13:24-37

UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC

Monday 4th December

10am mainly music

Tuesday 5th December

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

9:30am Playgroup

2pm BCUC Cares

Wednesday 6th December

7:45am Prayer Meeting

9:30am Prayer Meeting

5:30pm Worship & Music Ministry

Thursday 7th December

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew

12noon Friendship Club

7:30pm Choir practice

Friday 8th December

6pm Kids Club

Sunday 10th December

12noon Prayer Meeting

12noon Seniors Second Sunday Lunch

Next Sunday @ BCUC

10th December

9am Contemporary: Ian Olver—Junior Church Service

10:30am Classic: Rev Rob Williams—Lessons and Carols

10:30am Café: Rev Dr Gary Stuckey

Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

If you require more information please contact the church office or visit our website.

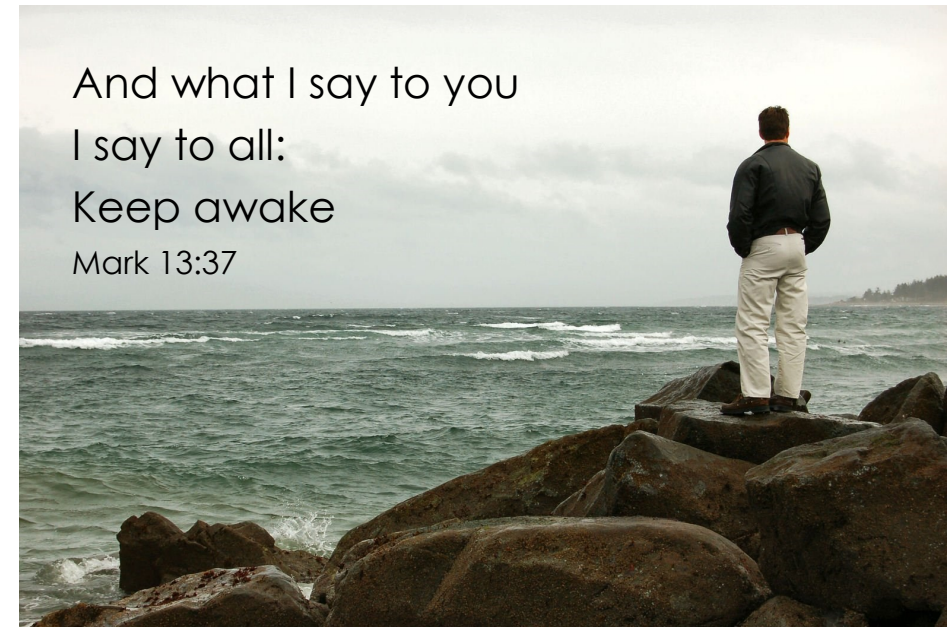
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Sunday 3rd December 2017

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

Minister: Rev Matthew Bond Ministry Team Leader 0400 777 410

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Office Hours - 9am—12 noon Monday to Thursday



A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,

Passionately Engaged in Mission

A MESSAGE FROM MATTHEW

Christmas 2017

Next week we will be presenting the Christmas Play in our local Primary Schools. We have a team of dedicated actors from our local churches who have been rehearsing the play in November. The 30 minute play simply tells the story of the first Christmas by involving the children on stage. We will have shepherds, angels and wise-men joining Mary and Joseph on stage as the story is told. The children are invited to dress up in costume and participate in the story with us.

Please pray for each of the four schools we will visit as they welcome us into their school communities and engage in the message of Christmas.

On Monday December 4th we will spend the day at Linden Park Primary School. On Wednesday we will be at Burnside Primary School for the day and on Thursday we will perform in the morning at Marryatville Primary School and go to Rose Park Primary School for a lunch time performance. Prayers are requested for the actors (Glenyss, Gerald, Mark, David & Jessica) as they take time off from work or study to dedicate themselves to this wonderful ministry.

Thank you also to our Pastoral Care Workers for their support of this work in their schools.

This year the message of Christmas will be on the big screen in the new animated movie called "The Star". I am hoping that through our efforts in the schools when we encourage the children to learn more about the Christmas message by inviting them to church events, we will also be able to suggest that they see this movie. This may also be a great family outing for our children and grandchildren. It will certainly give us an opportunity to talk about the birth of Jesus our Saviour.



THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

Special Meeting of the Congregation

There will be a special meeting of the Congregation on Sunday **December 17** at **10:30am** to accept the 2018 budget.

Church Council Office Bearers 2018

Chairperson—Ian Olver

Deputy Chair—Gaynor Strapp

Secretary—Gill Cibich

Treasurer—Randolph Alwis

Teachers appreciation morning tea

The last teachers appreciation morning tea for 2017 will be at Linden Park Primary School on **Monday December 4** to compliment the Christian Options Program. There is a large staff of 75 and they have asked for 2 or 3 plates of vegetarian or gluten free food if possible. We join with the Australasian Community Church to cater for this morning tea. Could you please help to provide a plate of food. I will be at the church from 8:30am—10am on Monday December 4 to receive the food. Thanks for your support of this program. Anita Wheaten.

Dr Jon's Pantry

During Advent, check out our festive produce! Ideal small gifts for a friend or neighbour.

Seniors Second Sunday Lunch

Sunday December 10, 12noon until 2.30pm. Come and join us for friendship, fun and food. Chicken & Salad plus a fruit platter. Please see Anita Wheaton for more information.

Christmas Bowl 2017

Today you should have received an Act For Peace leaflet for this year's Christmas Bowl appeal. The leaflet describes the 3 ways you can donate using your credit card. Should you wish to make a cash donation, there is a box in the foyer which will remain there until Christmas Day.

BCUC Cares for Families in need

The BCUC Cares team extends its deep gratitude to all who have so generously contributed to this appeal. As we draw near to the Christmas season Uniting Communities would value items that could be included in a Christmas Hamper. All donations are distributed to needy families by Uniting Communities at Clayton Wesley Church. Thank you for any items you are able to give.

Suggestions Include: Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding, Cereal, Tuna, Canned Fruit, Longlife Custard, Spreads, Milo / Tea or Coffee, Soft Drinks, Chips/ Lollies, Canned Vegetables, Biscuits/Crackers, Soup, Canned Ham/Turkey, Toiletries

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