

TODAY @ BCUC –Communion

Sunday 21st December – Nothing is impossible for God

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic—Rev Matthew Bond

10:30am Cafe: Linda Driver

Luke 1:26-38

Christmas Eve 7pm Family Service—Linda Driver

Christmas Eve 11:30pm—Young Adults

Christmas Day 9:30am—Rev Matthew Bond

NEXT WEEK @ BCUC

Sunday 28th December – “What Now?”

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic—Rev Matthew Bond

10:30am Cafe: Brian King

Isaiah 61:10-62:3, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:22-40

Sunday 4th January

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic—Linda Driver

10:30am Cafe: Rev Matthew Bond

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Burnside City
Uniting Church
Community, Faith and Purpose

Sunday December 21st, 28th 2014 & Jan 4th

WELCOME

We have Connect Team members to welcome new people at each service who will introduce you to our church and assist you in any way they can. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee, so that we can get to know you better.



Christmas Services

Christmas Eve 7pm & 11:30pm

Christmas Day 9:30am



A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,

Passionately Engaged in Mission

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

Rosters

As you will be aware there have been some recent issues with the rosters for the worship services. If you have been left off a roster or if you would like to be included in future rosters, please either phone or email me so you can be included in the next round of rosters. If you are interested in helping produce the next roster, there is a rostering meeting on Tuesday January 6th at 10am. Please let me know if you would like to attend.

Thank you for your patience while we aim to sort out the current rostering issues.

Deb Mugford, Administrator

Christmas Office Hours

The BCUC Office will be closed from 12pm December 24th and will reopen on Monday January 5th.

Dr Jon's Pantry

Today we have fresh supplies of Apricot Jam add to the collection of great little Christmas gifts. Thanks to Keith Maynard for buckets of fruit !

The Christmas Bowl

Envelopes to support Christmas Bowl are available in the foyer. Donations will be received up to Sunday December 28th. Thank you for your generosity

Farewell to Liz McQuade

Members of the former Friendship Group are invited for afternoon tea at the church on Tuesday 6th January 2015 at 2pm.

This is an opportunity for us to meet together and farewell Liz McQuade before she moves to Brisbane.

Please bring a small plate of food. Everyone is welcome.

Prayer Chain

Please note, the prayer chain will not be in operation between Dec 24 & Jan 4th

Matthew Bond will be on leave from Sunday January 11th until Monday February 2nd. All enquiries during that time should be directed to Linda Driver or Rob Williams.

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MESSAGE FROM LINDA



"The world is falling apart." "This is just the beginning."

These are some of the comments I heard this week in response to the news from Sydney and Pakistan that we have all been shocked by.

There is much to be concerned about as we consider what is happening in the world today.

Nonetheless I write to remind you that we have a choice as to how we will respond.

How we choose to see the world and what is happening around us affects the way we think, the way we feel and the way we communicate with others. This then affects those around us. Each of us has an influence on our friends and family.

As Christians we have hope and we experience love, joy and peace. We have been reminded of this each week during Advent.

We have the opportunity to witness our hope in Christ; to be agents of peace; to be joyful in our worship - honouring God in our daily living, spreading the good news of God's love for all.

We can choose to actively seek seeds of hope - signs of God's kingdom breaking in to our world.

Let us choose to be hopeful not hopeless; and joyful, not fearful.

Let us be peacemakers, spreaders of hope, joyful people who demonstrate God's love.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. (Philippians 4:4-8)

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