

## TODAY @ BCUC - Communion

Sunday 16th October

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic — Ps Linda Driver –A love letter from God  
**Jeremiah 31:27-34, Psalm 119:97-104, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18:1-8**  
 10:30am Cafe— Rev Matthew Bond—Mercy  
**Luke 17:11-19**

## UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC

### **Monday 17th October**

10am mainly music  
 2pm Communion Service  
 Pastor Linda Driver

### **Tuesday 18th October**

9:30am Playgroup  
 9:30am Ladies Table Tennis  
 5:30pm Worship & Music Ministry

### **Wednesday 19th October**

7:45am Prayer Group

### **Thursday 20th October**

9:30am Craft, Chat n Sew  
 12noon Thursday Friendship Club  
 7:30pm Choir Practice

### **Friday 21st October**

7pm Multicultural Youth Event

### **Sunday 23rd October**

5:30pm Hub Church

## NEXT WEEK @ BCUC

Sunday 23rd October

9am Contemporary—Heather Maynard—Journeying from Grace to Glory  
**Psalm 84:1-7, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**  
 10:30am Classic—Anneke van de Loo—Courage in Christ  
**Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22, 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**  
 10:30am—Donald Sarre—Grace

Prayer Requests: [prayer@burnsideicityuc.org.au](mailto:prayer@burnsideicityuc.org.au)

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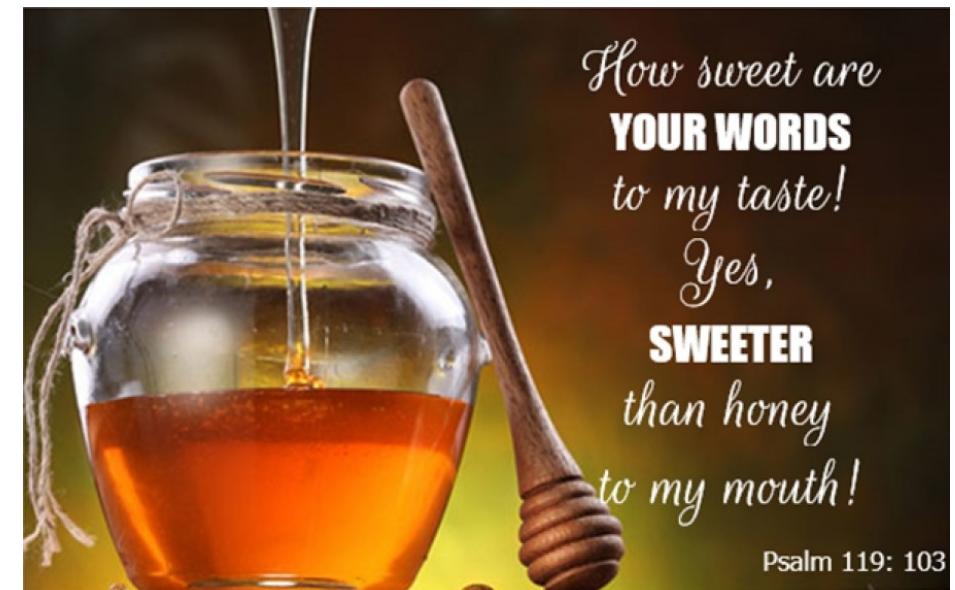


Burnside City  
 Uniting Church  
 Community, Faith and Purpose

**Sunday 16th October, 2016**

## **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 each other better.



## Ministry Team Contacts

**Minister:** Rev Matthew Bond Ministry Team Leader 0400 777 410  
 (Annual leave 17-23 October)

**Minister:** Pastor Linda Driver Children, Youth & Families  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (morning), Thursday (afternoon), Sunday

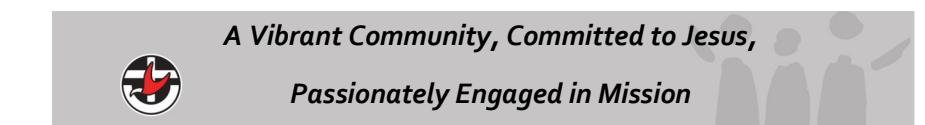
**Minister in Association:** Rev Rob Williams

Available for Pastoral Care as required— 0424 123 171

**Youth Coordinator:** Ben Randall —0403 369 154

**Administrator:** Deb Mugford Monday—Thursday 9am—2:30pm

**Office Hours** - 9am—12 noon Monday to Thursday

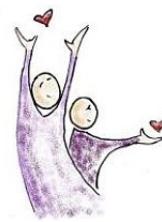


## THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

### A MESSAGE FROM MATTHEW

#### Why to we Worship?

In his revelation, Jesus portrays a picture of heavenly choirs. Throughout the pages, he paints a graphic scene of the heavenly congregation continually in relationship with God, engaging in worship, and bringing praise to the Lamb of God.



These worshipers and choristers are in the presence of the Messiah; they need hope no more, for the Messiah has come. Toward the end of Revelation, God completes the redemption of all creation, and God and humanity dwell together. John writes that a loud voice from the throne shouts, "Look! God's dwelling is here with humankind. He will dwell with them, and they will be his peoples. God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more. There will be no mourning, crying, or pain anymore, for the former things have passed away" (vv. 3- 4). Finally, there are no barriers to our worship, no distractions, no more confusing our need with worship. Finally, all worshipers give full attention to God, our creator. Can you imagine what that will be like?

"I Can Only Imagine" by the award-winning Christian singers Mercy Me, wonders aloud about John's picture of Revelation. What will life be when our complete focus is on the one who is present among us? Written in first person, this is a song sung as a prayer to God. "Surrounded by Your Glory, what will my heart feel? . . . I can only imagine!"

What will you do? Perhaps the question Jesus poses for us today is, what are you doing? If the Christ, our Messiah, has come, if Christ, our Lord, is present today, then how is our worship? Someone says, "But Lord, the music was just not of the quality that you deserve?"

Christ replies, "But my friends in the ghetto sing passionately without any accompaniment." Another complains, "I just couldn't worship today, Lord, because I just wasn't fed." Christ answers, "By whom are you expecting to be fed? I was with you. Did I not satisfy you?"

Can you imagine what it might be like when we finally know that Christ is present?

This is the third week of our October series on worship. Please join us as we learn more about worship.

<http://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2909/why-do-we-worship>

#### Congregational Meeting

The Church AGM will be on **Sunday November 6 at 2pm**. If you would like to participate more in the life of your church, please be there.

#### Annual Picnic

Please join us from 12midday on **Sunday October 30** in Kensington Gardens Reserve to share lunch with your Church family. Bring your own chair, lunch and a small plate of fruit or cake to share. Fun for all the family! More details later.

#### Elder Nominations

Nominations are being sought from members of the congregation for the position of Elder/ Church Councillor. If you would like to nominate someone to be an Elder please contact Rex King for more information on 8372 3002.

#### BCUC Mission Trust Fund

The BCUC Mission Trust Fund Steering Committee comprising of Church Council Chairperson, Valerie Aloa, Finance Committee Chairperson, Gill Cibich, BCUC Treasurer, Randolph Alwis, Rev. Matthew Bond, Trevor Olsson and Mike Croft met on Tuesday, 5th October to start the process initiating the BCUC Mission Trust Fund as per directions from the Congregational Meeting, held on the 6th March 2016.

On Sunday 30th October 2016, the amended Burnside City Uniting Church Mission Trust Fund Inc. Constitution and nomination forms for 5 Trustee Directors, will be available to all members for their information, inclusion and election at the Congregational Meeting on Sunday 6th, November 2016. Election Of Trustee Directors will follow the same process as election of Elders for the Church Council.

#### BCUC Spring Clean

The spring clean was conducted by a team of eleven. They were able to clean the ledges, door handles, walls etc in the Hall, Foyer, Activity Room & Buzz rooms. Thanks to the volunteers who gave their time and energy.

Please e-mail articles for the BCUC weekly news to Deb Mugford at [admin@burnsideicityuc.org.au](mailto:admin@burnsideicityuc.org.au) no later than 12noon on Tuesday