



**TODAY @ BCUC– Choosing life**

**12th November**

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

10:30am Café: Rev Matthew Bond

**Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25, Psalm 78:1-7, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13**

**Sunday 12th November 2017**

**WELCOME**

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

**UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC**

**Monday 13th November**

10am mainly music

**Tuesday 14th November**

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

9:30am Playgroup

7pm Finance Committee

**Wednesday 15th November**

7:45am Prayer Meeting

9:30am Prayer Meeting

**Thursday 16th November**

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew

12noon Friendship Club

6pm Worship & Music Ministry

7:30pm Choir practice

**Friday 17th November**

7pm Youth Group

**Saturday 18th November**

6:30pm Saturday Night Friendship Club

Christmas Dinner

**Sunday 19th November**

12noon Prayer Meeting

**Next Sunday @ BCUC—Use it or lose it!**

**19th November– Communion**

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

10:30am Café: Rev Matthew Bond

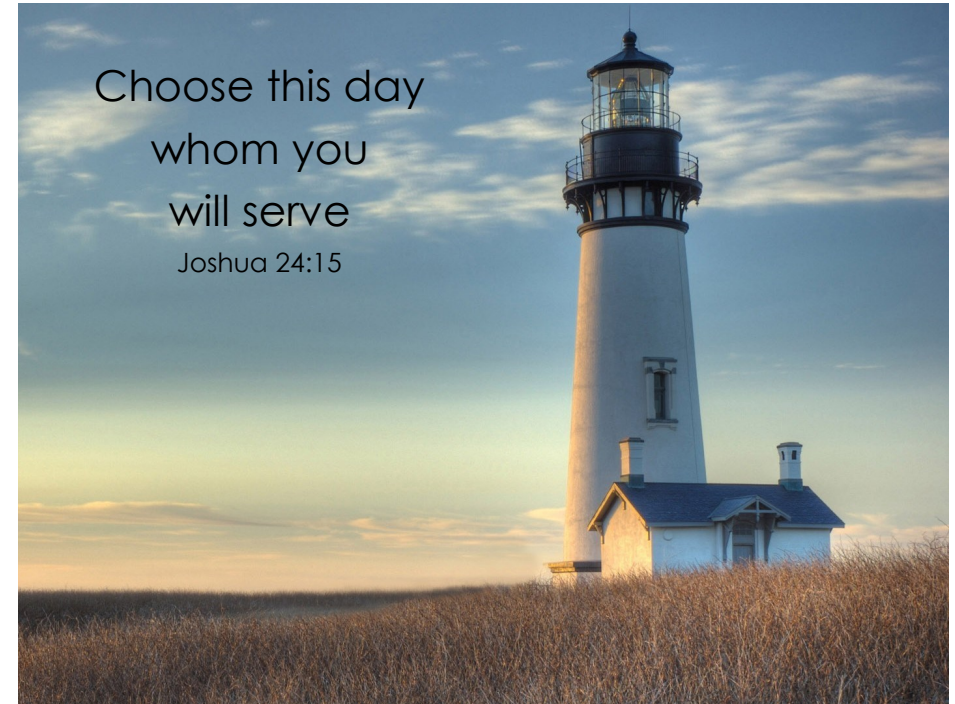
Judges 4:1-7, Psalm 123, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, **Matthew 25:14-30**

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

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

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Choose this day  
whom you  
will serve

Joshua 24:15

**Ministry Team Contacts**

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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

### Baptism of Charlie Higgs

We welcome Michael and Kylie Higgs and their son, Charlie here this morning. They have come today to have Charlie baptised into the family of Christ.

All life is from God, and children are a gift from the Lord. Within a family, the birth of a child is a joyous and wonderful occasion. In this event we see the wonder of God's loving creativity among us. We are now to share the joy of this family whose life has been blessed and enriched by the gift of a child.

### Baptism is Christ's gift.

It is a sign by which the Spirit of God joins people to Jesus Christ and incorporates them into his body, the Church.

In his own baptism in the River Jordan by John, Jesus identified himself with humanity in its brokenness and sin; that baptism was completed in his death and resurrection. By God's grace, baptism plunges us into the faith of Jesus Christ, so that whatever is his may be called ours. By water and the Spirit we are claimed as God's own and set free from the power of sin and death.

Thus claimed by God we are given the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may live as witnesses to Jesus Christ, share in his ministry in the world and grow to maturity, awaiting with hope the day of our Lord Jesus.

## THE AARONIC BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face to shine upon you,  
And be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,  
and give you peace. Amen. (Numbers 6:2-26)

Together the people of Burnside City Uniting Church welcome Charlie and his family into the family of God.

## THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

### AGM

Please join us **TODAY at 2pm** for our AGM.  
Reports are available today.

### BCUC Saturday Friendship Club

The Club Christmas dinner will be held on **Sat 18th November at 6:30pm**. The theme is Bon Bons and Holly. There will be very special entertainment, excellent food, plus Carols. The cost is \$35 and pay Helen Brooks. The closing date for bookings is 12th Nov. Everyone is welcome.

### Seniors Second Sunday Lunch

The next Seniors Second Sunday lunch is on **TODAY at 12noon**. Come and join us for friendship, fun and food. Chicken & Salad plus a fruit platter.

### eMAC

The next eMAC will be on **Tuesday November 21 at 7pm**. Plan to come and be a part of what is happening at BCUC.

### Prayer Chain

Is life a bit hard at the moment? Maybe concerns with health, family, friends, or feeling low? There is a group of more than 60 BCUC people willing to pray for you. Your situation will be kept confidential. Send your request to Jenny Olver at [prayerr@burnsidecityuc.org.au](mailto:prayerr@burnsidecityuc.org.au) or speak to a minister. If you would like prayers for someone else please ask them or their family for permission first.

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4: 6-7 NIV*

### Norwood Christmas Pageant

Join us on **Saturday November 25** to help distribute 5,000 balloons at the Norwood Christmas Pageant. Families, teenagers and adults of all ages can participate. Meet on The Parade west of Wood St, Norwood at 9:15am sharp.

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