



Burnside City
Uniting Church
Community, Faith and Purpose

This Sunday @ BCUC

13th January

Into the Future? No, no!^a

9:00am Contemporary, 10:30am Classic : Rev Rob Williams

10:30am Café : Ben Randall

Isaiah 43:1-7^a; Psalm 29; Acts 8: 14-17; Luke 3:15-17,21-22

Sunday 13th January 2019

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

Tuesday 15 January — Friday 18 January

All Day : Big Week Out—East Base

Tuesday 15th January

5:00pm Finance Committee

Sunday 20th January

12noon Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC

20th January - Communion

Nothing but the best^{bc}

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Isaiah 43:1-7^a; **Isaiah 62:1-5^b**; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; **John 2:1-11^c**

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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

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Do not fear .. you are mine!
Isaiah 43:1b

Ministry Team Contacts

Supply Minister: Rev Trevor Klar 0437 708 183; Mon (am), Tue, Thu (from 2pm)

Minister in Association: Rev Rob Williams 0424 123 171

Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required

Interim Administrator: Stuart MacAdam Mon - Fri, 9am-2pm

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A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,

Passionately Engaged in Mission

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

A MESSAGE FROM ROB

Sometimes I feel there should be a law against January. You know, the post-Christmas and New Year's blues; the recovery from overeating and still failing to go on a healthy diet; over-spending and the dread of facing all those bills; maybe the feeling of guilt for having not contacted someone; along with the struggle to motivate yourself enough to get on and do the things that need doing. In addition to all our 'inner-personal' struggle, there's still our awareness of all those 'outside struggles' in the larger community, as well as in the wider world. When we combine all these and other pressures, anxieties, and struggles, no wonder we sometimes feel a tad 'down in the dumps' at this time of year.

Isaiah 43:1-7 focuses on the Israelites who were 'down in the dumps'; they were depressed; they were fearful. Their hopes and dreams of the future had all but dried up and disappeared. But then comes a wonderful, uplifting message of Good News from God, overflowing with love and hope, restoration and deliverance, affirmation and acceptance:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. I will be with you... For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. ...you are precious in my sight, and honoured - and I love you...

What a fantastic message – uplifting and full of hope! God comes to Israel in one of their most depressed, vulnerable moments. God comes when they feel down and out and fearful. God assures them that they have not been forgotten; they are indeed very special to God; they belong to God; they are loved by God; they need not fear.

Often we need to be reminded that God remains vitally interested in us; that even if we can't see Him at work in our lives, we can be assured that God is still at work in us by his Spirit, and will bring us to Christian maturity – for that is his promise. At the beginning of this new year with its uncertainties, remember - we are loved by God and God *is* with us.

Induction Service – Rev Dr. Benji Callen

Friday 1st February, 7:00pm at BCUC

Informal supper following

All are invited to welcome Benji and his wife, Nicole. Please wear your name badge.

Seniors Second Sunday Lunch

TODAY, 12noon until 2.30pm. Come and join us for friendship, fun and food. Please see Anita Wheaton for more information.

Prayer in January

The Prayer Chain continues to be available in January if you or someone you know needs prayer. Please email prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au or contact Jenny Olver via the church directory.

Also, I invite all members to pray for Benji Callen and his family - Nicole, Jake, Charlie & Cameron, as well as Unity Hill UC and BCUC. Pray that the family feels peace, assurance and excitement as they settle into Adelaide and await the manse availability. Pray that the boys will feel confidence in the changes and that both churches feel God's presence & guidance as they look to new beginnings.

KCO is Coming

Kids Camp Out (KCO) is a Uniting Church camp for 7 year olds to Year 7's. On 23rd and 24th **March 2019** hundreds of campers, junior leaders and leaders will gather at Adare Caravan and Camping at Victor Harbor for a fun filled 24 hours of stories, games, crafts, Bible studies, food, fellowship and some sleeping. Make a note in your diary and let your friends know so they can join us for a fabulous time. In 2019 there will be no cost for campers and helpers so let's bring as many children as possible. More information will be available soon.

This year we are looking for a coordinator, so if you would like to be part of the KCO leadership team speak to Gaynor Strapp.

Big Week Out

We are excited to be hosting Big Week Out - East Base from **January 15 – 18** at BCUC. Big Week Out is for young people in years 8-12 and is an initiative of local churches. It is about young people putting faith into action by serving Jesus in their community. The Big Week Out team is expecting about 100 young people to take part this week. Please be respectful of their space during this time.

Please e-mail articles for the BCUC weekly news to Stuart MacAdam at info@burnsidecityuc.org.au no later than 10am on Wednesday