## This Sunday @ BCUC

14th April - Passion/Palm Sunday

9:00am Contemporary : Merle Paton - Obedience? Hmmm... 10:30am Classic : Colette Williams - Great Expectations 10:30am Café: Rev Dr Benji Callen - Jesus Enters

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 118:1-2,19-29; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 19:28-40

# Upcoming Week @ BCUC

### Tuesday 16th April

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis 5:30pm Finance Committee

#### Wednesday 17th April

7:45am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Prayer Meeting 5:30pm Worship & Music Ministry

Thursday 18th April 9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew 12noon Friendship Club 5:30pm Maundy Thursday Service 7:30pm Choir practice

Friday 19th April 9:30am Good Friday Service "this is God's Love"

#### Sunday 21st April

7:30am Easter Dawn Service 9:30am Easter Sunday Service

# Next Sunday @ BCUC

# 21st April - Easter Sunday, Communion

7:30am Dawn Service : Ben Randall 9:30am Combined Worship : Rev Dr Benji Callen Live in the Victory! Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24;

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1-12

# Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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# Sunday 14th April 2019

### **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**

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Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required.



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Passionately Engaged in Mission

# A MESSAGE FROM BENJI

Today we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, an event we now mark as Palm Sunday. It begins Holy Week on the church calendar. Each day of Holy Week has set readings based on the lectionary that can help us place ourselves in the emotional and spiritual roller coaster of Jesus' last days before his crucifixion (see details in this newsletter).

One way to think about the entry into Jerusalem through Luke's gospel is POSITION, PRAISE and PEACE.

**POSITION**- Jesus enters as a king. Much of the layered symbolism, reaffirms this from the use of a donkey (a fulfilment of an Old Testament prophecy), the laying down of coats, and the words joyfully chanted by the crowds "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!". I wonder, do we consider Jesus to be our 'King'. What position is he in our lives? Are Jesus' love and instruction more important than the coats on our backs?

**PRAISE**- As Jesus entered the Holy City "the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles (or works of power) they had seen". What 'works of power' or miracles do you know Jesus has done in your life or the lives of other people? At the very least, think about his redeeming work on the Cross that we have focussed on over the last few weeks. When is the last time you talked out loud about it?

**PEACE**- Remember what the angels sang at the birth of Jesus? It's in that well known Christmas carol, Hark the Herald Angels: *Peace on earth and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled*. Luke 19v38 has the crowd ushering in peace, thanks to Jesus. Jesus then weeps because the peace he brings won't be recognised (v41). He's referring to the wonderful work of reconciliation that will happen on the Cross, bringing God and humanity close and at peace. So, as we come to the Cross this Easter, let us make peace with God and each other.

See you next weekend for a great celebration of what the Cross means to us and the world!

#### **Easter Services**

Maundy Thursday 18th April 5:30pm Creative Worship

**Good Friday 19th April 9:30am** Worship followed by hot cross buns

> Easter Sunday 21st April 7:30am Dawn Service 9:30am Worship

### Grant Received from 3DNet

Congratulations to our young people for receiving a \$1500 grant from 3DNet to support missional projects. The money will be used to hold a community fundraiser at BCUC in May. All proceeds from that event will be donated to Backpacks 4 SA Kids, the team's choice of support. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks.

## Seniors Second Sunday Lunch

**TODAY**, 12`noon until 1.30pm. Come and join us for friendship, fun and food. Chicken & Salad plus a fruit platter. Please see Anita Wheaton for more information.

# Dr Jon's Pantry

Freshly made *FIG & GINGER JAM* has been added to our range; it's yummy, so do not miss out.

ALSO Easter chickens have hatched!

# Successful Family Fun @ 5

We had about 30 part time & full time wonderful helpers who worked together over a range of tasks needed for the evening to flow and to be successful. We had 50 children and their families many of whom had not attended before. It was wonderful that some families stayed till 8pm talking to the new people they had met. Thank you all.

## BCUC Saturday Friendship Club

The next meeting is on Saturday **April 27**. The speaker is Janet Scarfe who will reveal some of the exploits of South Australian women who were involved in World War II. Usual time of 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start. Please bring a basket supper. All visitors welcome.

## Christmas Bowl Thank You

BCUC's gift of \$1671 will have an immediate impact for Rohingya families in Jamtoli refugee camp in Bangladesh, who have lost everything and are struggling to find shelter, food, and clothing.

#### **Entertainment Books**

Entertainment Books and digital memberships are on sale. To order online, visit the BCUC website News section and click the link provided. You can also order direct from Rita Botrill at bottrill@chariot.net.au.

Partial proceeds go towards mission support.

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