This Sunday @ BCUC

15th September - Communion

I am a Loving Child of God

1 John 4: 7-12; 1 Peter 1:21-25

9:00am Contemporary, 10:30am Café : Rev Dr Benji Callen

10:30am Classic : Rex King

Lectionary: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

Upcoming Week @ BCUC

Monday 16th September

10:00am mainly music 2:00pm Monday Communion

7:00pm BSF

Tuesday 17th September

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

9:30am Playgroup

5:30pm Finance Committee

Wednesday 18th September

7:45am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Prayer Meeting 12noon Alpha Course Thursday 19th September

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew 12noon Friendship Club 3:00pm Choir Practice

6:oopm Worship & Music Ministry

Saturday 21st September

9:30am Transitional Presbytery Mtg 7:00pm Saturday Friendship Club

Sunday 22nd September

12noon Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC

22nd September

I am a Spirit-filled Child of God

Romans 8:1,2,14-17; Galatians 4:4-7

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

10:30am Café : lan Olver

Lectionary: Jeremiah 8:18 -9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au



Sunday 15th September 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

Minister: Rev Dr Benji Callen 0427 792 869; benjic@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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Mon - Fri, 9am - 4:30pm

Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required.



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Passionately Engaged in Mission

A MESSAGE FROM BENJI

I am a LOVING Child of God

This week we start to unpack some of the "so what?" of the message that our primary identity is as the loved children of God. The first letter of John is pretty clear: "Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God" (1 John 4:7). If we are adopted or born again into the family of God thanks to Jesus then, over time, this new life we live begins to have a family resemblance. We reflect to others the same love that God lavishes on us. Recent surveys of the attitudes of everyday Australian's are showing that some people are highly suspicious of church. Many would rate having a dog park in the community as more important than a church, and 3 in 10 would agree that Christianity is not good for society. However, if you asked the same people to describe Christian people they know, the words are very positive: kind, generous, loving...

Over the past 2 weeks I have had the joy of attending services that David and Kath Truran have been helping run for many years on behalf of the church at both Regis and Wesley Church nursing homes, Tuesday mornings monthly. This is an expression of the love towards others, love for both the people within church and those outside the church. For those who are served by this ministry there is such an obvious joy and encouragement given to them. The relationships, the singing of songs, the prayers and messages are deeply appreciated. In short, they feel loved by the children of God. I have also found this to be the case while in Port Lincoln where I had the privilege of running monthly services at the local prison and the two local nursing homes. David and Kath are now needing to pass on this ministry of loving others to someone else. If your interested please see Benji ASAP.

This is one great example of children of God loving others. If I was to go through the church directory I could spend many pages detailing how people are being loved in practical and genuine ways thanks to the children of God reflecting their new family characteristics.

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

Rescheduled

Staff Appreciation Tea, Marryatville HS

The Marryatville High School staff appreciation morning tea has been rescheduled to **Wednesday October 16**. Put this date in your calendar and stay tuned for details closer to the time. We really appreciate your support of this event.

Baptism at BCUC

Have you been baptised? Baptism is a really important step of faith in becoming a new person in Christ, a child of God. Please see Benji or Rob for a chat. In November we will be having a membership service. One of the main requirements for membership is baptism.

Frontier Services Sausage Sizzle

We will be having a sausage sizzle on Sunday September 29 at 10:00am to support Frontier Services in their work to help Aussie Farmers who are doing it tough this year. From flooding in Northern Queensland, to bush fires down in Tasmania, and drought gripping over 50% of the country, some farmers say it's the worst weather conditions they've experienced in their lifetime. These recent natural disasters have had a devastating effect on many living on isolated properties around our country.

David Houston Visit

Next week David Houston a retired minister from Tusmore Park days will be sharing morning tea and have some involvement in the 10:30 classic service.

Sunday Parking

If walking is easy for you, we request that on Sunday morning you park in the council lot across the street, and leave the BCUC car park for those who are less abled.

BCUC Saturday Friendship Club

21st September. Pamela Rajkowski speaks on the important role that Cameleer Settlers played in shaping the Australian outback. 7:15pm arrival for a 7:30pm start. Basket supper provided.

Operation Christmas Child

This year's shoebox project is underway - an exciting time of the year! Shoeboxes of small gifts are packed here at BCUC and sent to children in developing countries. Brochures are available in the foyer along with empty decorated boxes if you wish to pack your own box. Alternatively there is an opportunity to make a monetary donation. If you like to shop, we need tennis balls, skipping ropes and yoyos to name a few items. Packing day is on Monday Sept 30th at 9.30am in the Hall. Enquiries to Di Croft.

SAYCO presents Lost / Found Youth Festival

Lost/Found is a 1 day festival of games, art, food trucks, 3-on-3 basketball, worship, live music, a marketplace and a message about being found from Pastor Mike Wardrop of Encounter Church. 12 October, 3-9pm, Adelaide West Uniting Church. Cost: \$20 per person. Tickets at https://sa.uca.org.au/sayco.

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