TODAY @ BCUC- Use it or lose it!

19th November – Communion

gam Contemporary & 10:30am Classic: Rev Rob Williams 10:30am Café: Rev Matthew Bond

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

UPCOMING WEEK @ BCUC

Monday 20th November Thursday 23rd November

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

Wednesday 22nd November

9:30am Playgroup

10am mainly music9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew2pm Monday Communion12noon Friendship Club

Tuesday 21sr November 6pm Worship & Music Ministry

7:30pm Choir practice

Friday 24th November

6pm Kids Club

7:45am Prayer Meeting
9:30am Prayer Meeting
12noon Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC—Christ the KIng

26th November

9am Contemporary & 10:30am Classic: Rev Matthew Bond

10:30am Café: Rev Dr Gary Stuckey

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Psalm 100, **Ephesians 1:15-23**, Matthew 25:31-46

 $Prayer\,Requests:\,prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au$



Sunday 19th 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.



Ministry Team Contacts

Minister: Rev Matthew Bond Ministry Team Leader 0400 777 410
Minister: Rev Dr Gary Stuckey 0437 708 183 Supply Ministry
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Administrator: Deb Mugford Monday—Thursday 9am—2:30pm

Office Hours - 9am—12 noon Monday to Thursday

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A MESSAGE FROM MATTHEW

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

On Wednesday, the results from the Australian Marriage Law Postal Survey were published on the ABS website. 61 per cent of the votes were 'Yes' in the same-sex marriage postal vote. In the lead up to this announcement, the Uniting Church President and the Moderators of each Synod prepared the pastoral statement. I encourage you to read this statement (attached) and pray for wisdom, courage and discernment for the Uniting Church and the wider community throughout this season.

Here at Burnside City we are called to continue to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ as people of faith.

And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Mark 12:30-31New King James Version (NKJV)

As we consider our path from here, I think that we must, in the interests of wisdom and peace, acknowledge the laws of our nation and the authority of the parliament.

How we behave now is going to be a profound witness to the people in our community and the world. This is the time for the church to demonstrate the love of God for all to see. The conversations that we have in this time of change will shape the future of our church for years to come. I want us to be known as people who love passionately, for this is the message of the Gospel.

Grace and peace,

Rev Matthew Bond

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

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.

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.

HizBiz

Our last Men's Fellowship Lunch for 2017 will take place at the Marryatville Hotel 239 Kensington Road, Kensington. **Tuesday 28th November (a)** 12 noon. To facilitate booking arrangements please contact Rex King 8372 3002 or Leigh by email.

Breakfast For a Future

Some people need a hand to build themselves a future. The children of the Dalit people in India are like that. Belonging to the class once called Untouchables the odds are stacked against them, but by providing a nutritious meal and academic support they can break out of the cycle of poverty.

Join the Junior Church for breakfast in the foyer on 3rd December from 8am—8:45am.

Juice, cereals, toast and croissants with barista coffee or tea.

\$5 per person or \$20 a family. For more information contact Gaynor Strapp 0450310591.

BCUC Cares for Families in need

The BCUC Cares team extends its deep gratitude to all who have so generously contributed to this appeal. As we draw near to the Christmas season Uniting Communities would value items that could be included in a Christmas Hamper. All donations are distributed to needy families by Uniting Communities at Clayton Wesley Church. Thank you for any items you are able to give.

Suggestions Include::

Christmas Cake, Christmas Pudding, Cereal, Tuna, Canned Fruit, Longlife Custard, Spreads, Milo / Tea or Coffee, Soft Drinks, Chips/ Lollies, Canned Vegetables, Biscuits/Crackers, Soup, Canned Ham/Turkey, Toiletries

Monday Day Fellowship

Come and join us for our Christmas lunch, Holly and the Ivy, on Monday December 4 at 12:30pm. Maddi Hegarty will be speaking on her experience in Cambodia. Cost \$25. RSVP to Ruth Daws by Monday December 27.

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