

This Sunday @ BCUC

20th October

Membership Week 1 : I Believe in the Church

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

Membership Week 2 : The Uniting Church and the biblical vision for the future

10:30am Café : Rev Dr Benji Callen

Lectionary : Jeremiah 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

Upcoming Week @ BCUC

Monday 21st October

10:00am mainly music
2:00pm Monday Communion
7:00pm BSF

Tuesday 22nd October

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis
9:30am Playgroup

Wednesday 23rd October

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

Thursday 24th October

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew
12noon Friendship Club
6:00pm Worship & Music Ministry
7:00pm Church Council

Sunday 27th October

12noon Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC

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Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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

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Burnside City
Uniting Church
Community, Faith and Purpose

Sunday 20th October 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
Day off : Monday

Minister in Assoc: Rev Rob Williams 0424 123 171; robw@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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Mon - Fri, 9am - 4:30pm

Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required.



**A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,
Passionately Engaged in Mission**

A MESSAGE FROM ROB

Today in worship we begin a 3 week series on Membership. The focus today is 'I believe in the Church', an understanding of the nature of the universal church of Jesus Christ. This will be followed by a look at the Uniting Church and the Biblical Vision for the future, touching on our church's Basis of Union. The 3rd Sunday looks at who we are and what we are doing as Burnside City Uniting Church.

This series will bring us to November 10th when, in a single service, we will share in a Celebration of Membership and launch the church's new vision and direction. This will be followed by a shared International Lunch acknowledging the nature of our congregation as one growing in its international diversity.

This afternoon our Pastoral Contacts will gather for a time of fellowship and learning together. Benji will lead a time focusing on 'Confident Caring'. We have 67 of our congregation providing a pastoral contact with all those who have a sense of belonging to BCUC. Some of these are spread across almost 20 aged care facilities. Pastoral Care needs are growing across our congregation. Our Pastoral Contacts and Ministers respond to all the age groups represented at BCUC and their pastoral needs. These may include hospitalisation, immediate family crisis, death of a spouse or other family members, loss of a job or the need to work through the implications of an impending transfer in one's job, support for those caring for a wider family member in a particular time of crisis or simply letting someone know that they are valued for what they are doing to enhance our life together at BCUC.

Being the Church of Jesus Christ links those who are the church (membership) with those in need (pastoral care). Jesus calls us to love one another as he loves us. This is a great privilege - encouraging and building up one another in love through caring for one another.

Thank You...

to everyone who contributed delicious goodies for the Marryatville High School staff appreciation morning tea! It was a successful event and the staff truly enjoyed themselves. It is one of the highlights of their year and they feel appreciated and supported by the local churches.

Membership Sermon Series

October 20, 27 & November 3

Single Worship Service Membership Celebration & Vision Launch followed by an International Shared Lunch

10:00am Sunday November 10

TODAY

Pastoral Contact Tea

This is a reminder to the more than 60 BCUC Pastoral Contacts and also an invitation to anyone interesting in finding out more about this important role. You are invited to an afternoon tea and Pastoral Contact workshop today at 2:30pm at BCUC.

Benji will run a workshop on "Confident Caring". He will use biblical examples in a fun, interactive and informative way to build our confidence to pastorally care for the children of God. We encourage you to attend. Afternoon tea will be provided.

AGM

Please join us for our AGM on **Sunday November 24 at 2pm**. Reports will be available from Sunday November 10.

International Lunch Contributions

We are hoping to have a great variety of representative international and Australian dishes for our shared lunch on Nov. 10. Please see the flyer handed out last Sunday for details. Copies available at the reception desk.

Elder/Church Councillor Nominations

Nominations are open for Elders / Church Councillors. If you feel that God is calling you to serve BCUC in this role, please pick up an information sheet and nomination form at the reception desk. Nominations close on **November 3**. Note that term limits for serving on Church Council have been removed and the term for newly elected members is now up to 5 years (in accordance with the UCA Constitution).

Presbytery Information Forum Wednesday Nov. 20th, 7pm @ BCUC

In preparation for the congregation to decide at the Nov 24th AGM whether we will join Generate Presbytery or remain in the default, regional presbytery, we will host an information forum with special guests: Rev. Steph Tai (Secretary of Generate) and Rev. Sue Page (Assoc. Gen. Secretary from the presbytery restructuring task group). They will be available for a Q and A.

Mid Week Communion

A communion service will be held Monday **October 21st at 2pm** in the Chapel. All are invited.

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