This Sunday @ BCUC

24th November - Christ the King Sunday

9:00am Contemporary, 10:30am Classic : Rev Rob Williams Who/What is the Centre of your universe? Jeremiah 23:1-6; Colossians 1:15-20

10:30am Café : Heather Maynard

Upcoming Week @ BCUC

Monday 25th November 10:00am mainly music

Tuesday 26th November 9:30am Ladies Table Tennis 9:30am Playgroup

Wednesday 27th November

7:45am Prayer Meeting 9:30am Prayer Meeting 12 noon "Unwrapping Joy"

Thursday 28th November 9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew 12noon Friendship Club 6:oopm Worship & Music Ministry 7:00pm Church Council 7:15pm Choir Practice

Sunday 1st December 12noon Prayer Meeting

Next Sunday @ BCUC

1st December - Advent : Love

9:00am Contemporary, 10:30am Classic : Rev Dr Benji Callen Jesus is Coming Matthew 24:36-44; Romans 13:11-14

> 10:30am Café : Rev Rob Williams Turn on the Lights Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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WELCOME

Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee after the service so that we can get to know each other better.

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Colossians 1:17

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Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required.



A MESSAGE FROM ROB

Who/What is the Centre of your universe? I'm not asking that question in any planetary sense but very personally.

There are many people and/or things around which our lives revolve.

Youth today plunge into deep anxiety when parents ban the use of electronic gadgets for misdemeanours. The confiscation of their mobile phone is second only to death!

Adults are not immune from placing things and people in the centre of our lives. Various forms of media, people and fashions compete for our devotion under the guise of being a friend, or an aide to life. They promise home, body, spiritual, retail and technological renovation. Who or what truly deserves our devotion? Who/What is the centre of our universe? This is St. Paul's basic question in our reading from Colossians today. And his answer is - Christ alone

He (Jesus) is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. Colossians 1:18

Today we celebrate the last Sunday in the Christian Year – the Festival of Christ the King through which we affirm that Jesus is the One who is at the very centre of our lives – our universe.

The Lord God, through the prophet Jeremiah proclaims

The days are coming, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteous Saviour. Jeremiah 23:5-6

I was surprised to discover that there are some 43 or 44 countries in our world today that have monarchies. There are many images that came into my mind when thinking about this – vast palaces, pomp and ceremony, wealth beyond imagining.

However, we need to know that Jesus is not a far-removed king on high but one who bends himself to our brokenness so that we might be saved. He displays his kingship in service to others and his death on the cross. In this servanthood and life-giving love, Christ reigns. His presence is to be found in the difficult, struggling and painful places of our world.

This King deserves my love, my allegiance, my service in this world with him in the places he is and calls me to be.

King Jesus is worthy to be the Centre of our universe.

AGM

Please join us for our AGM **today at 2pm**. The agenda, budget, Annual Report, and Elder nominee profiles have been emailed to members. Paper copies are also available at the reception desk.

Forum on Presbyteries Video

A video of Wednesday's forum is available in the resources section of our website. For those who do not have access to the internet, we will be showing the video in the worship space following the Classic service this morning. BCUC's vote on presbyteries will be held today at the AGM.

Netball Christmas Celebration Sunday 1 December, 6pm @ BCUC

Dinner, drinks, and ice cream. Activities, carols, and a Christmas message. Free! RSVP for catering purposes to bcucnc@gmail.com or call Cathie on 0413 737 023.

Big Week Out

Once again, BCUC will be hosting the East Base of the Big Week Out youth service event, January 13-17. Big Week Out is an initiative of local churches. It is about young people putting faith into action by serving their community. Expect an exciting and jam-packed week with passionate, diverse young people from all over Adelaide. High school aged students can register now at http://www.bigweekout.org.au.

Monday Day Fellowship

A day to remember. 2nd December, 1:30pm. The Monday Day Fellowship is going to be entertained by the Adelaide Youth Orchestra String Quartet. Brilliant young people with so much talent. It will be a marvellous way to complete a most enjoyable year with so much friendship and fellowship. Christmas is a time of joy and celebration so members of the congregation are very welcome, if you are a regular or just joining us on this special occasion. Afternoon tea and fellowship will complete the day. Love to see you there.

Hizbiz Men's Group

All gentlemen welcome to share a noon lunch (a) the Marryatville Hotel on Tuesday 26th Nov. Contact Rex or Leigh if attending.

Christmas Psalm Booklet

Please write your own Psalm to share in our Christmas Psalm Booklet. Psalms teaches us how to relate to God as God's beloved children, individually and together. Some poetic styles such as Sonnet, Haiku, Acrostic, Free Verse and others can be used to describe God's nature, His relationship to the world, His Son, His Spirit, and His relationship with you. "Psalms is a form of storytelling. The key to writing is making the audience feel. Give them something to remember and hold onto. It expresses time with God" Send your Psalm to

bcucchats@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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