



Next Sunday @ BCUC

31st March

The Cross and Us

We are Reconciled

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

10:30am Classic : Keith Maynard

Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; **Luke 15:1-3,11b-32**

Sunday 31st March 2019

WELCOME

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

Upcoming Week @ BCUC

Monday 1st April

10:00am mainly music

1:30pm Monday Day Fellowship

7:00pm BSF

Tuesday 2nd April

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

9:30am Playgroup

Wednesday 3rd April

7:45am Prayer Meeting

9:30am Prayer Meeting

9:30am Library Working Bee

Thursday 4th April

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew

12noon Friendship Club

5:30pm BCUC Brawlers

6:00pm Worship & Music Ministry

7:00pm Church Council Meeting

7:30pm Choir practice

Saturday 6th April

5:00pm Easter Family Fun @ 5

7:30pm Sri Lankan Christian Flwshp.

Sunday 7th April

12noon Prayer Meeting

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7th April

The Cross and Us

The Sacrifice Once and for All

(Hebrews 7:23-28, 9:11-15&24-28, 10:1-22)

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

10:30am Café : Tim Piper

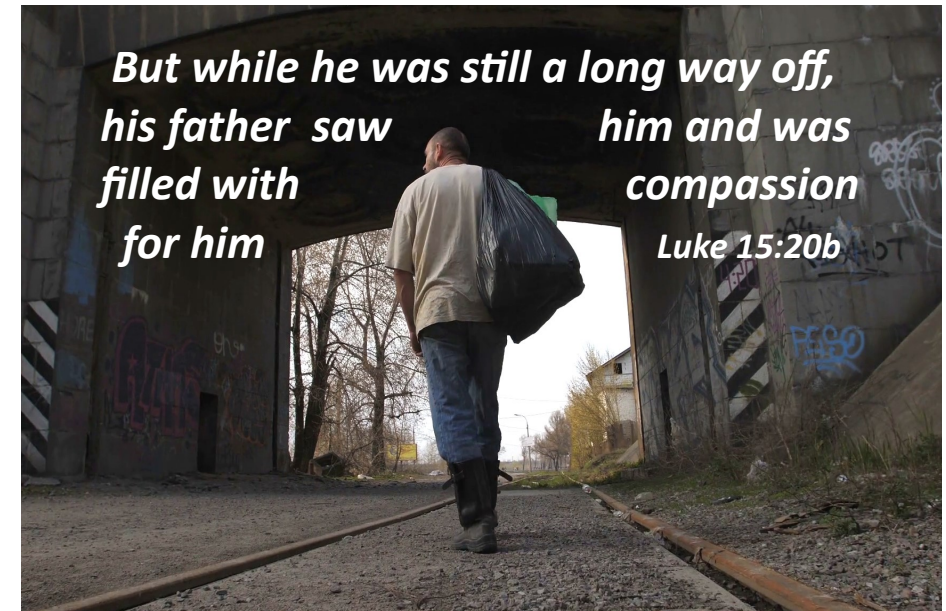
Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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

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***But while he was still a long way off,
his father saw him and was
filled with compassion
for him***
Luke 15:20b

Ministry Team Contacts

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Mon - Fri, 9am - 2pm

Ministers are available for Pastoral Care as required.



A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,

Passionately Engaged in Mission

THIS WEEK'S NEWS & NOTICES

A MESSAGE FROM BENJI

Over the last few weeks we have been looking at different ways the early church described the world changing events of the death and resurrection of Jesus. We have used such as Justification, Redemption and Reconciliation. We sometimes want to systemise these concepts, working out which one comes first and how they all fit together. I think it's helpful to see this as the early church using more than one way to describe such a momentous event. Just like if I was asked to describe what it means to be father, I can't simply answer with one word, it's a privilege, a great responsibility, a loving relationship, a partnership, an amazing joy, a trial, I am leader, servant, teacher, student etc. no one term describes fatherhood and all are related. It's similar with the cross. Each term adds another colour to the greater picture. The letter of Romans contains many concepts sometimes within the same paragraph. (see Romans 3:23-26 or Romans 5:1) Here's a table that I hope helps describe a little more what each 'colour' is.

Concept	God is...	We were (without Jesus)	We are now (by faith in Christ)
Justification (Our legal status before God, thanks to the cross)	All knowing, merciful judge who loves justice and despises sin.	Condemned and guilty, deserving death.	Forgiven and righteous. Perfect and holy!
Redemption (We were slaves to sin but now are free)	The rescuer who sees' our plight and is desperate to actively help.	A slave to sin. In a vicious cycle, trapped in moral decay and darkness. Without hope.	Redeemed, free, given hope, light and a future.
Reconciliation (enemies of God become friends of God)	The one who reaches out and wants to be our friend.	Enemies of God, going our own way, trying to hide from God.	Reconciled, forgiven, loved. We have the creator of the universe and the most powerful all-knowing God of life and wisdom and truth as our friend.

Congregational Meeting

April 7th 2pm at BCUC

Business:

Audited Financial Statements
Minister's Report
Church Council Report

KCO News

Last weekend was KCO and we had a brilliant time. Thanks so much to everyone for your contribution to and support of this annual event. It was marvellous. Thank you particularly for covering the weekend with your prayers. Look for more news in Chats.
- Gaynor Strapp

Entertainment Books

Entertainment Books are again on sale. Books or digital memberships are \$70 each, \$13 of which goes towards support for mission. To order, call Rita Bottrill on 0401 838 641 or email bottrill@chariot.net.au. You can also order and pay online using the special link found on the BCUC website home page, News section.

Easter Postcards

Today you will have received our Easter postcard inserted in the newsletter. Please take it home, note the dates and times of services and prayerfully consider passing it on to a friend, family member, or neighbour. Extra cards are available in the foyer to be given out to visitors to our building and for you to take as needed.

Monday Day Fellowship

The fellowship will next meet on **Monday April 1st** at 1:30pm. Come listen to Benji share his story with us. **Afternoon tea is provided.** \$3 donation. Please bring along new members. We welcome men as well to our fellowship. See Ruth Daws for more information.

Family Fun @ 5

Easter Family Fun @ 5 on **6th April** is seeking helpers! Would you be able to make a tuna bake? (Recipe and main ingredients supplied.) Can you help sometime between 4.15 to 7.15pm on the day? There are many ways in which you can help: In the kitchen, with craft, talking to families, setting up, cleaning up, as photographer, lighting & sound for the story. Speak to Heather Walraven, Leonie Clarke or Chris Lake if you have any queries. Sign sheets are up in the foyer after church.

TODAY

Movie in the Youth Room

After 9:00am Worship. All kids invited.

Lent Event 2019

This year, our focus is on saving lives through health education, preventing violence against children and raising up new leaders in Timor Leste, Southeast Asia's poorest nation. Donate directly online at lentevent.com, or use the Uniting World Appeal Envelope and post it yourself. Cash donations can be placed in the marked box in the foyer.

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