

This Sunday @ BCUC

3rd November

Membership Week 3 : Who is BCUC? and in God's name, what are we doing?

Luke 6:12-19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14

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

10:30am Classic : Ian Oliver

Lectionary : Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; 2 Thes 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

Upcoming Week @ BCUC

Monday 4th November

10:00am mainly music

12:50pm Monday Day Fellowship

7:00pm BSF

Tuesday 5th November

9:30am Ladies Table Tennis

9:30am Playgroup

2:00pm BCUC Cares

Wednesday 6th November

7:45am Prayer Meeting

9:30am Prayer Meeting

Thursday 7th November

9:30am Craft, Chat & Sew

12noon Friendship Club

6:00pm Worship & Music Ministry

7:15pm Choir Practice

Sunday 10th November

10:00 am Single service

11:15 am International Lunch

Next Sunday @ BCUC

10th November

10:00am

SINGLE SERVICE

Membership Celebration Week

followed by an International Lunch

Prayer Requests: prayer@burnsidecityuc.org.au

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

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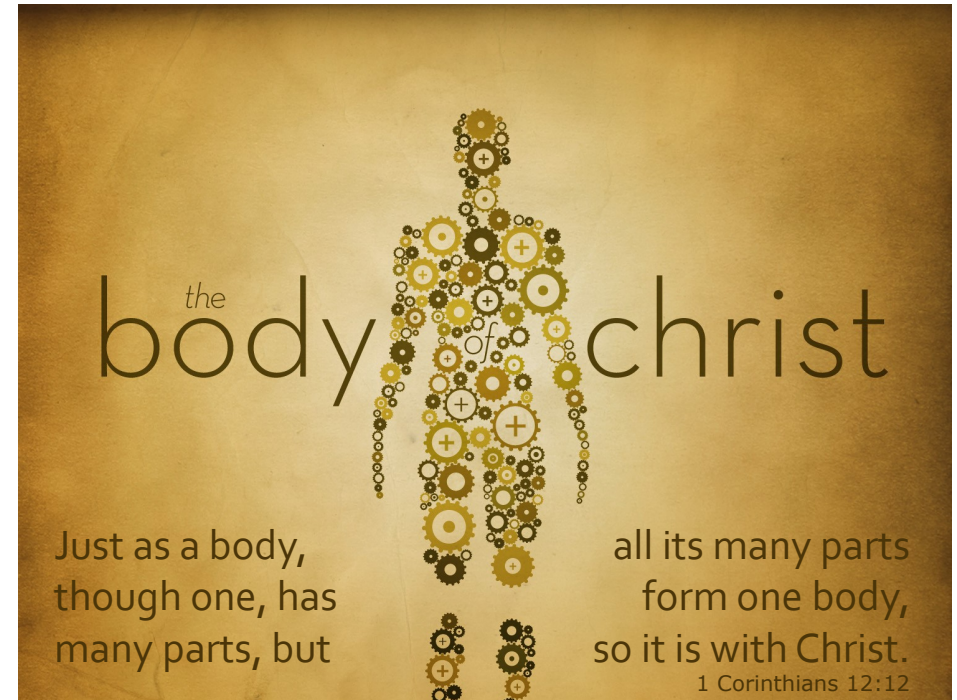


Burnside City
Uniting Church
Community, Faith and Purpose

Sunday 3rd November 2019

WELCOME

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



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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**

The Local Church

It began as Jesus left the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit to give them the power to love each other, their neighbor and God in revolutionary ways while spreading the good news of Jesus, growing the church and enduring great suffering.

The perfect picture we have is in Acts 2 where people devoted themselves to the apostles teaching, fellowship (community), breaking of bread and prayer. As it grew, the early church writers tried to find images and metaphors that could describe this new group of people. They talked about the church as a building with a solid foundation, a temple of the Holy Spirit built of living stones, a vine, a bride and flock of Christ.

The body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12 and Ephesians 4) has been one of the most enduring metaphors. It helps understand the ideal of the church universal, the Uniting Church and the local congregation, e.g. BCUC. Reading it in Corinthians, this was an image given to a church in conflict, full of jealousy and 'us and them'. The image was given to help it stay united in Christ.

At its basic level, we're all knitted together with Jesus as the head. Expand on this image and things get interesting.

1. A human body is dynamic, growing, changing, moving, resting, organic, eating, excreting, full of amazing potential to build gardens, run marathons, construct airplanes, heal others, wrap people up in love, create and destroy, love and hurt, do much or do very little. But a body is not a fixed building or a monument. That's a statue. The bible doesn't say the church is a statue. It is the same way with our church.
2. We all have different roles. Encourage each other, don't envy or look over your shoulder or get annoyed at the other. Very different bits and organs of body work together not separately. Celebrate your uniqueness and that of others.
3. When one bit hurts we all hurt. When all bits work well things can really move.
4. We can increase the fitness, strength and health of a body.
5. Jesus is the head. More specifically, the brain and the central nervous system. Giving electrical impulses to the rest of the body in a feedback loop.

At its best the local congregation is a beautiful expression of the body of Christ. Healthy, dynamic, creative, healing and bringing light to a broken world. I pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to knit us together at BCUC to be a great example of the body of Christ. —Your brother in Christ, Benji

**Single Worship Service
Membership Celebration
& Vision Launch
followed by an
International Shared Lunch
10:00am Sunday November 10**

Monday Day Fellowship

The Bus Trip on **November 4th** is to a very interesting Gallery collection of Royalty Memorabilia from King William to Queen Elizabeth. There will be a talk on the 7 reigns of South Australia followed by afternoon tea. Meeting at the church at 12.50. The cost will be \$22. If you are coming make sure you give your name to Ruth Daws and ensure your have it noted in your diary.

BCUC Sat Friendship Club

The Christmas dinner & AGM for the Sat Friendship club will be held on Sat **16th November**. Time 6-30pm. The theme is "Bells" & there will be special entertainment. The cost is \$35 and pay Peter Foord. Closing date 10th Nov. All church members & friends are invited.

International Lunch Help Needed

We are hoping to have a great variety of representative international and Australian dishes for our shared lunch on **Nov. 10**. Please contact Joy or Gaynor if you have not done so already to let her know what you can contribute or if you are able to help with clean-up afterwards.

BCUC Youth Group

After a great trial run, we're having another go. Come along this Friday night **8th November** (we plan to run fortnightly). 6pm for worship jam (a combo of band and sports). 7pm bring your friends along for dinner, games, a message, small groups and hangout. Finish between 9-9:30. All at BCUC. Talk to Tim or Benji.

Elder/Church Councillor Nominations CLOSING TODAY

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 **TODAY**. 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).

AGM

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

Another Book Give-Away- TODAY

In the foyer, from today. Your chance to own a good Christian book for FREE.

Seeking Pastoral Care Worker (aka "School Chaplain") Glenunga Intl. High School

Closing date: 10am, Monday **11th November**. For details go to: www.smg.asn.au or see the flyer on our notice board.

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