

Contributions to Newsweek are very welcome and should be emailed to mail@belrose.unitingchurch.org.au by 12 noon Thursdays or given to Rev. Ian.

Next Sunday 22nd July 2018

9.00 am Morning Church Series: *Discovering The Joy of Giving* #4 *Giving as Celebration* 2 Corinthians 9:1 - 15

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks
Reader: Jenny Dinning **Music:** Gwen Gattford
Welcomers: Gordon Allan & Jenny Garlick **Flowers:** Sandra Murphy
Morning Tea: Rob & Sandra Murphy

10.30 am Contemporary Church with KidzChurch

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks

5.30 pm Contemporary Evening Church Series: *The Messiah* #4 *Follow The Messiah* Luke 5:1 - 11

Service Leader: Manfred Yew **Music:** Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Manfred Yew

Creations Set-Up: Creations in recess during School holidays, resumes 30/7.

WHAT'S ON @ BUC – CHECK YOUR DIARIES

Property/room bookings to Denis Wall: den_lisle@optusnet.com.au

JULY Mission of the Month: The Bible Society

Tues 17 th July	Ladies Fellowship @ BUC <i>Puzzle Night</i>	7.30 pm
Wed 18 th July	Congregation Prayer Time in the Family Room	12 noon
Thurs 26 th July	Congregation Prayer Time in the Family Room	7.30 pm
Sat 28 th July	Forest Churches Prayer Breakfast at C3 Oxford Falls	7.30 am
Sun 29 th July	KidzChurch Open Day <i>Christmas in July</i>	10.30 am

Changes to our Congregation Prayer Ministry Congregation Prayer meetings will now be held weekly, alternating Thursday night & Wednesday noon.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING THIS WEEK

Next Prayer time: 12 noon – 1.00 pm Wednesday 18th July in the Family Room
Receive prayer for yourself and others, pray for our church and for our community
Stay for whole or part of the Prayer Time. All Welcome! Come, and be blessed!

Family “Christmas in July” Outreach Event Sun 29th July 10.30 am.

An opportunity to invite families/friends to an interactive *Christmas in July* themed event associated with the 10.30 am Service. **Grab a Postcard** to give to a friend.

Mens Fishing Outreach Weekend is on again 3 – 5th August, Lake Tabourie.
See Ps Manfred for details and registration.

Notice of Meetings:

Resources Unit (Property & Finance) Meeting Saturday 4th August 9.00 am

Agenda items to David Pengilly ASAP please

Church Council Meeting on Monday 13th August 7.30 pm

Any agenda items to Rev Ian ASAP please.



Assembly of
Confessing
Congregations

Belrose Uniting Church
Corner Forest Way and Morgan Road, Belrose
TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

GOOD NEWS WEEK
15th July 2018



The Uniting
Church in
Australia

Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ from Frenchs Forest to Terrey Hills, from the beaches to the bush, since 1916.

Who are we? We are all about following Jesus. BUC is a community of imperfect people who have experienced the love and forgiveness of a wonderful God. We are a local expression of God's eternal and universal church, called to be God's people who love, worship, glorify, and serve our living King, Jesus Christ.

We are part of the Uniting Church in Australia, a Christian denomination built upon the historic creeds & confessions of the worldwide apostolic & reformed Church.

We are part of the Assembly of Confessing Congregations within the UCA, joining with other UCA Congregations in contending for the biblical faith: *Confessing the Lord Jesus Christ, Proclaiming the Truth and Renewing the Church.*

We are “evangelical” Christians, which means that **Jesus** shapes the heart of our worship, the **Bible** shapes the heart of our life, and the **Gospel** (the Good News about Jesus) shapes our heart for a broken world.

9.00 am Morning Church Series: *Discovering The Joy of Giving* #3 *Giving as Discipleship* 2 Corinthians 8:1 - 15

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks
Reader: Helen Meillon **Music:** Ian Weeks
Welcomers: Mel & Charmaine Mottau **Flowers:** Carolyn Benisch
Morning Tea: David & Ann Keiller

10.30 am Contemporary Church with KidzChurch

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks

5.30 pm Contemporary Evening Church Series: *The Messiah* #3 *The Preaching Messiah* Luke 4:38 - 44

Service Leader: Manfred Yew **Music:** Erryn McL **Preacher:** Manfred Yew

Creations Set-Up: Creations in recess during School holidays, resumes 30/7.

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Sunday Services

9am - 10:30am - 5.30pm*
(*Community meal on the last Sunday of each month)



Ladies Fellowship Winter Warmers Collection. During July there is a collection for the Lions Club for knitted beanies, scarves, gloves/mittens and socks (these may be used but in good condition and clean!)

Also small toiletries eg from motels/planes. There is a box in foyer.

Post UCA Assembly Moderator's Forum on Same-sex Marriage will be held on Tuesday 31st July 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm. Venue TBA. All welcome

Enhance Day Conference at Covenant Christian School **Sat 4th August** from 2.00 pm **Theme: Cultural Conflict – The Invisible War** Great Bible teaching and a youth/kids program available. Registration fee includes a/tea & dinner

Katoomba Mens Convention Any men wanting to come for a Katoomba break-away **Friday & Saturday 17th & 18th August?** Some limited free accommodation near KCC site in Katoomba. Register your interest with Manfred Checkout www.basecampmen.com

2018 FACE Dinner Saturday 3rd November Mark the Date!

Plan to join with other local churches to celebrate the ministry of FACE and hear about young lives being changed by Jesus through this SRE program in our local High Schools. **Sat 3rd Nov at the Forestville Memorial Hall.**

The Joy of Giving – Partnering in the Gospel to Meet our Ministry Challenges!
Average Weekly Offerings required for 2018/19 Budget Year \$3,173 p/wk
Average Weekly Offerings for the last Year 2017/18 \$3,077 p/wk
Increase Required in Average Weekly Giving **\$96.00 p/wk**
Questions for reflection and prayer: *Am I able to increase my regular giving, and/or give a one off sum to boost our ministry resources?*

Values and Vision – The next steps Following on from our productive day together in June, we will gather again **at the Church on Saturday afternoon 25th August** to continue to vision our ministry strategies, building on our good work so far. **Mark the date & watch this space for more details!**

Sermon notes 2 Cor 8:1 – 15 The Joy of Giving: #3 Giving As Discipleship

1. Experiencing the Joy of Giving

Giving as Worship
Giving as Partnership
Giving as Discipleship =

2. Giving As Discipleship

2 Corinthians 8

Spiritual Disciplines =

The Spiritual Discipline of Giving – Christian Giving:

- i) An expression of ...
- ii) A gift and a discipline
- iii) Is inspired by
- iv) Is proportionate, not
- v) Contributes to

3. The Joy of Giving

People, Participation and Prayer: a church isn't a building. It's a group of people gathered by God who are building their lives around Jesus. That's why belonging to church means more than just Sunday services. In this **Newsweek** are some of the things we are doing, events and activities we think are worthwhile, and people and things to pray for. Pray regularly for the Church family.

Prayer requests

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

Healing, Strength & Comfort for:

Bill & Marcia Schnabel	Jenny Dinning
Jan & Gordon Allan	Phil Hickson
Robert & Leila Cradock	David Keiller
Julia Murphy	Gordon
Jeanette Mortley	Richardson

Jackson Pengilly & Sam Whybrow in Japan for 2018

UCA National Assembly meeting coming up 8th – 14th July

Ministry team - Protection & Provision

Ps. Ian & Anne Weeks
Ps. Manfred & Lisa Yew

Our Mission Partners:

- * Bruce & Kathy – in Cameroon, Bible translation work with Wycliffe
- * Wayne & Mandy - training indigenous Christian leaders with CMS in Darwin.
- * High School SRE - Henri Simpson & Alex Wiles & Teams www.FACE.org.au
- * Graham & Sarah (nee Flentje) Edwardes with *Pioneers* in Italy.
- * ACC, CEO Peter Bentley

BUC Ministry & Mission:

- * Church Council – vision & focus
- * Family & Night Services – growth
- * Youth Ministry - Youth Group & Leaders
- * Creations – participants, parents & kids
- * ESL – more students
- * SRE in our local Public schools
- * Forest Pre-School – Staff & Kids

Have a prayer request? email:

prayer.team@belrose.unitingchurch.org.au

- * Give to Rev. Ian
- * Place in prayer box near Church front door. **All prayer requests should only be shared publicly with permission.**

JULY Mission of the Month:

The Bible Society - Making God's Word available and understandable in Australia, and throughout the world, since 1817!

Early in the life of Australia, passionate community leaders like Lady Macquarie created the Bible Society. They knew it wasn't just government that could build a nation. It would need people of hope, people who live light.

Today, we're Australia's longest-living organisation. For more than 200 years, the Bible has done Australia a lot of good. And there's a lot more good it will do yet. So we're creating new ways to advocate for the Bible, to promote it, and offer people new ways to engage with it.

The word of God ignited hearts to shape our nation for the better, inspiring people with precious values we hold in common. As our nation explores the 21st century, the Bible is here for good!

The BSA publishes the monthly *Eternity* newspaper, the quarterly **Sower** magazine, as well as a myriad of aids and resources for every-day Bible reading and understanding.

The BSA enjoys the support of churches across all denominations and partners with other organisations in areas of publishing, literacy development and youth Bible engagement.

Check out www.biblesociety.org.au And also the info in the *Eternity* newspaper and *Sower* magazine in the Church Foyer. You can support the work of *The Bible Society* through prayer and giving via the Mission of the Month envelopes.