

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 29<sup>th</sup> July 2018

9.00 am Morning Church Series: *Discovering The Joy of Giving*  
**#5 Giving as God Gives Bible Reading TBA**

**Service Leader:** Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Manfred Yew  
**Reader:** Charmaine Mottau **Music:** Ian Weeks  
**Welcomers:** Rob & Sandra Murphy **Flowers:** Laumahoi Vakalahi  
**Morning Tea:** Richard & Carolyn Benisch

10.30 am KidzChurch *Christmas in July* Open Day

5.30 pm Contemporary Evening Church Series: *The Messiah*  
**#5 The Cleansing Messiah Luke 5:12 - 16**

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

**Creations Set-Up:** Creations resumes 30/7. David & Ann Keiller

### 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

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> July Congregation Prayer Gathering in the Family Room 7.30 pm  
Sat 28<sup>th</sup> July Forest Churches Prayer Breakfast at C3 Oxford Falls 7.30 am  
Sun 29<sup>th</sup> July KidzChurch Open Day *Christmas in July* 10.30 am

**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.

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING THIS WEEK

Next Prayer time: **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July 7.30 pm** 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!

**Presbytery Post UCA Assembly Forum on Same-sex Marriage** will be held on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm at Wahroonga UC, Corner of Stuart St & Coonanbarra Rd. The meeting will include information from the ACC & Q&A

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

### Notice of Meetings:

**Resources Unit (Property & Finance) Meeting** Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August 9.00 am  
Agenda items to David Pengilly ASAP please

**Church Council Meeting** on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 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**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> July 2018**

*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 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*  
**#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.

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



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

**Katoomba Mens Convention** Any men wanting to come for a Katoomba break-away **Friday & Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> August**? Some limited free accommodation near KCC site in Katoomba. Register your interest with Manfred Reduced costs for 5 or more registrations. Checkout [www.basecampmen.com](http://www.basecampmen.com)

**2018 FACE Dinner Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov at the Forestville Memorial Hall.**

**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 25<sup>th</sup> August** to continue to vision our ministry strategies, building on our good work so far. **Mark the date & watch this space for more details!**

**The Joy of Giving – Partnering to invest in the Gospel & reap a Harvest!**  
**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?*

**Sermon Series: “The Joy of Giving”**

**Sermon Notes #4 “Giving as Celebration” 2 Corinthians 9:1 – 15**

**1. Experiencing the Joy of Giving**

Giving – not just to meet a budget, but much more!  
 Giving as:

**2. Giving As Celebration**

**2 Corinthians 9**

Giving generously demonstrates:  
 Giving generously comes out of:  
**Giving as Celebration:**

- i) The Sower vv 6 - 9
- ii) The Supplier vv 10, 11
- iii) The Service vv 12 – 15

**3. The Joy of Giving**

Giving is a celebration of the Gospel:

*“If you would be like Christ: Give much, Give often, Give freely”;*  
*“remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’ ” (B B Warfield, Acts 20:35)*

**People, Participation and Prayer:** a church isn't a building of brick and wood. 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.

**Our corporate prayer gatherings are held weekly – alternating Thursdays at 11.00 am & 7.30 pm.**

**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** - it's future and vitality

**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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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.