

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 23rd September 2018
Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal
Please return your boxes by Sunday 23rd Sept.

9.00 am Morning Church - A King Anointed 1 Samuel 9:1 - 17

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks
Reader: Sepesi Piukala **Music:** Gwen Gatford
Welcomers: Richard & Carolyn Benisch **Flowers:** Ann Keiller
Morning Tea: Chris Black & Jan McGuire

10.30 am Family Contemporary Service with KidzChurch

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

Values and Vision – Dreaming, Planning AND Eating Together!

Let's ALL join together for Lunch next Sunday 23rd September from 12 noon to 2.00 pm, at which we will: Share lunch together, Explore how our Values shape our Sunday Services, Q & A with Church Council members on the current discussions of our Morning Services. **Bring:** Lunch to share, your imagination and curiosity, and your Questions for Church Council.

Extra copies of the Church Council and V & V Day Reports are in the Foyer.

5.30 pm Contemporary Church Values # 6 Pursuit of Holiness

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

Creations Set-Up: Richard & Carolyn Benisch

WHAT'S ON @ BUC – CHECK YOUR DIARIES

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

SEPTEMBER Mission of the Month: Graham & Sarah Edwardes

Serving with Pioneers, Church Planting in Italy

Mon 17th – 19th ACC National Conference at Wesley Mission Sydney
Tues 18th Ladies Fellowship meeting & fun with a game of Beetles! 7.30 pm
Thurs 20th Congregation Prayer Gathering in the Family Room 7.30 pm
Sat 22nd Forest Churches Prayer Breakfast, at Forest Alliance 7.30 am
Sun 23rd Christmas Shoe Boxes are due back!
Sun 23rd Fellowship Lunch at Church – BYO lunch to share 12 noon
Thurs 27th Congregation Prayer Gathering in the Family Room 11.00am

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING THIS WEEK

Thursday 20th September 7.30 pm in the Family Room All welcome.

“...pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.” (Eph 6)

The Assembly of Confessing Congregations (ACC) National Conference & AGM is on **this week at Wesley Mission**, Sydney. This will be an important conference as we seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit and make decisions regarding appropriate responses to the UCA's marriage policy. **Please pray!**



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
16th September 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.

Welcome to Worship Today!

9.00 am Morning Church - A King Rejected 1 Samuel 8:1 - 22

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks
Reader: Jeanette Mortley **Music:** Jan Allan
Welcomers: Helen Meillon & Jeanette Mortley **Flowers:** Gwen Gatford
Morning Tea: Mel & Charmaine Mottau

10.30 am Family Contemporary Service with KidzChurch

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

5.30 pm Contemporary Church Values # 5 Every Member Ministry

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

Creations Set-Up: Evening Service Team

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



**AM Sermon Notes - Sermon Series: Choosing a King 1 Samuel
6 A King Rejected 1 Samuel 8:1 – 22**

1. The Importance of Values

Values shape behaviours and reveal what we truly deem important.

1 Samuel: God's values embraced but then forsaken.

A temporary glimpse of glory (1 Samuel Chs 1 - 7):

2. Glorious Values Short-lived 1 Samuel 8

God's rule (symbolised by the Ark) is restored but not for long

In the climate of spiritual dysfunction, the people valued:

3. Be Careful What You Ask For

God's grace:

God warns:

God respects:

4. Choosing A King Who Reflects God's Values

When we reject God's values

Human leaders take

There is NO

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

Questions for reflection: *How can I make sure I keep giving regularly?*

Take home a few weekly offering envelopes so that you can come to Church prepared and/or **set up an automatic EFT** from your bank account – this means you can give even when you miss Church

Direct EFT Giving/banking details: BSB 634-634 Account 10000 1487

CMS Summer School Katoomba 5 -11 January 2019 Bible talks from *Jeremiah: God's word to the nations*. Great Bible teaching, great songs, great fellowship. A great way to kick off the new year!

Ian & Anne will be there, how about you? Registration forms are in the Foyer.

PM Sermon Notes Series: Core Values # 5 Every Member Ministry

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 Congregation prayer gatherings are held weekly – alternating Thursdays at 11.00 am & 7.30 pm.

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

UCA - its 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

* Graham & Sarah (nee Flentje) Edwardes with *Pioneers* in Italy.

* ACC, CEO Peter Bentley

* Gyanankur School, India: *for new teachers, for unity in the staff, for wisdom for the Board, for good relationships with parents, for Director Melinda Parker.*

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.**

SEPTEMBER Mission of the Month:
**Graham & Sarah Edwardes
& Pioneers, Church Planting in Italy**

Why Europe? Why Italy?

Europe is now considered to be “**post-Christian**” where Christianity is a lifeless, traditional religion, and the Church is often seen as just part of the civil institution.

For example, 80% of the French population have never read, held or seen a Bible. In Italy, only 1.1% of the population of over 60 million are evangelical/Protestant Christians.

The challenge of Christian leadership in Italy remains urgent, since a lack of mature, qualified and gifted leaders persists. Academic and pastoral training are desperately needed, but finance, time and lack of vision limit opportunities. Authentic servant leadership must be demonstrated, since authoritarian structures, and power struggles are unfortunately common.

Pioneers mobilises teams to minister to unreached peoples by initiating church planting movements in partnership with local churches. **Graham & Sarah Edwardes serve with Pioneers in Trieste, Italy**, sharing the Gospel and encouraging the local Churches and Church leaders.

Please pray for them:

* proficiency in language (Italian)

* sharing the Gospel with friends and neighbours in Trieste

You can support the work of the Edwardes Family & Pioneers through prayer and giving via the Mission of the Month envelopes - get their prayer letters:
www.thepellegrinedwardes.com