

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 our Church family.

Please pray for our world, our community, and each other

For I, Yahweh your God, hold your right hand and say to you:

'Do not fear, I will help you.'
Isaiah 41 v 13

The next Congregation Prayer Meeting will be on Thursday 5th Nov at 7.30 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

- * **SRE Classes at Belrose Public School** every Wednesday morning.
- * **FACE High School SRE** at Forest (Thursdays) and Davidson High (Mondays) with Henri & the Team

Healing, Strength & Comfort for:

- * Len & Heather Broadbent have moved to live with family in Bowral: 156 Bowral St., Bowral, NSW 2576
- * Gordon & Jan Allan
- * Gordon Richardson
- * Dianna Amos

Our Mission Partners:

- * Wayne & Mandy with CMS at Nungalinya College Darwin, preparing for their retirement at the end of this year.
- * Bruce & Kathy currently spending time with family but hoping to return to Africa in January with *Wycliffe Bible Translators*
- * The Edwardes Family in Ireland working with *Pioneers* – the whole family are in isolation as Enzo and Sydney recover from Covid-19 virus.

November Mission of the Month

The Assembly of Confessing Congregations of the UCA



We are a member Congregation of the ACC, part of a network of Congregations seeking to uphold the historic and Biblical

teachings of the Christian faith.

While we are part of the UCA denomination, we don't always agree with the teachings of the denomination that are contrary to the teaching of Scripture – the Bible is our ultimate and final authority in all matters of faith, discipleship & teaching.

The ACC is committed to adhering to the UCA Basis of Union, especially the call to be open to "constant reform under His Word" (BoU para 1) and constantly praying that God will "correct that which erroneous in (the Church's) life" (BoU para 18).

The ACC seeks to encourage UCA Congregation in the faithful proclamation of the Gospel, to stand firm in the faith, and to provide fellowship and resources for discipleship and ministry. See:

www.confessingcongregations.org.au

Please pray for:

ACC national Chair Rev. Dr. Hedley Fihaki; National Consultant Mr Peter Bentley; and the ACC National Council, of which Rev. Ian is a member.

The Manse landline phone is still out of action 😞 but you can still contact Rev Ian on his **mobile 0408 308 196**, or by email mail@belrose.unitingchurch.org.au

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



Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ

Who are we? We are all about following Jesus.

We are part of the Assembly of Confessing Congregations of 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.

Sunday 1st November 2020

Seedlings of Hope Sunday

Celebrating memories and sharing hopes

Jesus said: "What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all the garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade." Mark 4:30 - 32

9.30 am Morning Church Seedlings of Hope Mark 4:26 - 32

Service Leader: Ian Weeks **Preacher:** Ian Weeks
Music: Gwen Gatford **Reader:** Allan Leslie
Welcoming: Tova Swadling & Helen Meillon **Flowers:** Tova Swadling

There will be morning tea outside after the Service this morning – to abide by our Covid-19 Safety Plan please follow the instructions of the serving volunteers, and maintain your physical distancing.

5.30 pm Evening Church Refreshed under a tree 1 Kings 19

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

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We want to be a Covid-19 Safe Place

We will continue to observe Covid-19 Safety protocols:

- * please make use of the hand sanitizer at the welcome desk
- * make sure you are signed in at the welcome desk
- * physical distancing 1.5 metres apart
- * please wear a mask – we have a supply of masks at the welcome desk
- * we will still refrain from singing for the time being

Next Sunday 8th November 2020 Celebrating the Lord's Supper

9.30 am Morning Church

Service Leader: Ian Weeks	Preacher: Ian Weeks
Music: Allan Leslie	Reader: Ann Keiller
Welcoming: Sepesi & Seni Piukala	Flowers: Jan McGuire

5.30 pm Evening Church

Service Leader: Anne Weeks	Preacher: Ian Weeks
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WHAT'S ON @ BUC – Mark Your Diary for NOVEMBER 2020
(Please note that due to the Covid-19 restrictions, some activities may not yet be able to be held on the Church premises.)

Creations on the Corner – Sewing etc Group - every Monday 10am – noon during School Term. Contact Beck Keiller or Anne Weeks for more info

Thurs 5th	Congregation Prayer Meeting	7.30 pm
Thurs 12th	Congregation Prayer Meeting	11.00 am
Wed 11th	*Presbytery Meeting* by Zoom	7 pm
Thurs 12th	Church Council Meeting	7.30 pm
Thurs 19th	Congregation Prayer Meeting	7.30 pm
Sat 21st	ACC Annual Meeting – at Concord or On-line	10.30 am
Please have your Annual Reports to Rev Ian by next Sunday 8th Nov.		
Sunday 22nd	Annual Congregation Meeting	10.30 am
Thurs 26th	Congregation Prayer Meeting	11.00 am

Please keep giving! Giving at Church?

If you would like to give physically, you are invited to place your offering in the basket at the back of the Worship Centre on your way into the Service. You are encouraged to make use of the electronic funds transfer option from your bank account to the Uniting Financial Services Congregation account using the following information:

Belrose Uniting Church Property Committee BSB 634-634 Acc 10000-1487

Thank you for your generous support for the work of the Gospel.

AM Sermon Notes *Seedlings of Hope* Mark 4:26 - 32

1. Getting our heads around the “Kingdom”

What is the “Kingdom of God”?

The Parables: *“The Kingdom of God is like ……”*

2. The Mystery of Grace vv 26 – 29

The reign of God that is:

- * deliberate
- * gracious
- * abundant

3. The Mystery of Faith vv 30 - 32

From little things ……

The reign of God that is:

- * the gift of faith – no matter how small
- * growing
- * generous and secure

4. Growing the Kingdom

It's all about God's work!

A little faith goes a long way!

PM Sermon Notes *Refreshed under a tree* 1 Kings 19

1. The highs and lows of Christian discipleship

Elijah under pressure – Ch 18

The high of seeing God at work – Ch 18

The low of exhaustion and doubt – Ch 19

2. God's Sustaining Grace Ch 19

God's provision:

- * a shady tree
- * an encouraging messenger
- * God's presence and promise
- * a fellow worker

3. When the pressure is on

God has not forgotten us

God will provide

Refreshed in God's presence