

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

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ

Philippians 4:6, 7

The next Congregation Prayer Meeting will be on Thursday 22nd Oct at 7.30 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR:-

* **SRE Classes** at Belrose Public School every Wednesday morning.

Healing, Strength & Comfort for:

- * Len Broadbent
- * Gordon & Jan Allan
- * Gordon Richardson
- * Dianna Amos
- * Church members who are still self-isolating
- * Church members grieving the loss of family or friends
 - * Marcia Schnabel
 - * Leila Cradock
 - * Lillian Schubert

Our Mission Partners:

- * Wayne & Mandy with *CMS* at Nungalinya College Darwin
- * Bruce & Kathy currently in Orange preparing to return to Africa with *Wycliffe Bible Translators*
- * The Edwardes Family in Ireland working with *Pioneers*

October Mission of the Month
Open Doors – serving the persecuted Church

Open Doors believe that

- * all doors are open & God enables his Body to go into all the world & preach the Gospel;
- * caring for the persecuted church should be part of the DNA of every Christian.

Their Mission: to strengthen and prepare Christians living in persecution, and to mobilise the Australian church to identify with the global body of Christ.

Open Doors partners with Christians and local churches in Australia. BUC's support enables believers living in some of the darkest places on Earth to be a light for Christ.

With **Open Doors**, we share a mission to make sure that the persecuted church is remembered in every church, every Bible study, and every home.

Check out the Open Doors information in the Church Foyer and their website: opendoors.org.au

Pray for them and for the persecuted Church around the world. Support them financially through our Mission of the Month option on the Offering Envelopes

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

“The Son of man was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshipped Him” Dan 7:14

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.

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 18th October 2020

Celebrating the Lord's Supper

October Sermon Series:

Standing firm in a culture of compromise.

9.30 am Morning Church Daniel Chs 7- 9 *Uncompromising Plans*

Bible Reading:	Daniel 7:15 – 28		
Service Leader:	Ian Weeks	Preacher:	Ian Weeks
Music:	Gwen Gatford	Reader:	Anne Weeks
Welcoming:	David & Nicola Pengilly		
Flowers:	Laumahoi Vakalahi		

Therefore, ... let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. (Heb 12:1, 2)

5.30 pm Evening Church *The spiritual battle we are engaged in*
Daniel 7 & Ephesians 5 & 6

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 25th October 2020

October Theme: *Standing Firm in a Culture of Compromise*

9.30 am Morning Church *Uncompromising Kingdom*

Daniel Chs 10 - 12 Bible reading: Daniel 12:1 - 13

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

Music: Allan Leslie **Reader:**

Welcoming: **Flowers:** Seni Piukala

5.30 pm Evening Church *Standing Firm in a Culture of Compromise*

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

WHAT'S ON @ BUC – Mark Your Diary for OCTOBER 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 – Art & Craft Group - has resumed every Monday 10.00 am – 12 noon during School Term. Contact Bec Keiller for more information

Thurs 22nd Oct Congregation Prayer Meeting **7.30 pm**

Thurs 29th Oct Congregation Prayer Meeting **11.00 am**

Seedlings of Hope Sunday 1st November – A service to celebrate memories and share hopes. **Have you received your invitation?** If not, contact Venessa Crane on 0433 862 674 And make sure you send her your memories and hopes reflections to Venessa ASAP. **THANK YOU to Jenny Rushforth** for the wonderful work on preparing the garden bed.

Can you help with Morning Tea on that Sunday? Preparing the tea, coffee & biscuits (disposable cups), setting up some tables etc – See Allison Pitt

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

**Daniel: Standing firm in a culture of compromise
Daniel Chs 7 - 9 *Uncompromising Plans***

1. The best-laid plans

The frustrations of plans that go awry

Have God's plans been derailed?

Daniel in captivity in Babylon – Jerusalem & the Temple in desolate ruin

What keeps Daniel standing firm under the pressure to compromise?

2. Disturbing Visions: A Reality Check Chs 7 & 8

God's people live in a reality of the world of what we can see BUT we stand firm in the reality of the world we cannot see.

The vision of the beasts – earthly Kingdoms come and go 605 BC – 530 BC

Nebuchadnezzar – Belshazzar (The Babylonians)

Darius (The Mede), may also be known as Cyrus (The Persian)

Three earthly Kings with earthly powers – given for a time

A fourth beast – the personification of all evil & rebelliousness against God

BUT there is a greater King & a greater Kingdom: Ancient of Days & Son of Man

Jesus replied. *“But I say to all of you: From now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”*

Matthew 26:64

A word of hope: God's Plans are still in play – the time will come!

3. Daniel's Response: A Prayer of Repentance Ch 9

The promise to Jeremiah – the exile will end & Jerusalem will be restored!

Lord – make it happen!!! But how did we get here?

A prayer of repentance – a promise of restoration.

BUT this is a temporary measure – a greater Kingdom is coming!

Keeping our eyes on the greater reality – Hebrews 11 & 12

PM Sermon Notes – The spiritual battle we are engaged in!

1. The Spiritual Forces at Work – Daniel 7

The earthly and spiritual enemies of God and His people

2. Standing Firm in the Spiritual Battle – Ephesians 5 & 6

The pressures to conform to the world

The resources to stand firm