

Next Sunday 22nd May 2022

9.30 am Morning Church *Christianity Explored*

#4 *The Cross* Bible Reading Mark 10:32 - 45

Service Leader: Ian Weeks

Music: Allan Leslie

Welcoming: Sepesi & Seni Piukala

Morning Tea: Helen Meillon & Cherry Robinson

Preacher: Ian Weeks

Reader: Seni Piukala

Flowers: Cathie Browning

5.30 pm Evening Church Bible Study *John's Gospel*

An interactive group Bible study – no preparation, no homework.

We open the Bible together, read, explore, and ask questions!



Kairos Prison Ministry Australia

Changing Hearts, Transforming Lives, Impacting The World

May Mission of the Month: *Kairos Outside*

Kairos Outside (KO) provides support for the female relatives or friends of a current or former prison inmate. It hosts a weekend designed to create a safe and understanding environment in

which participants (guests) can share with other women who have been through similar circumstances. KO offers the weekend for free to guests, so your financial support is greatly appreciated.

KO's 44th Weekend will take place on **27th – 29th May**. Anne Weeks is a team member and would value your support, encouragement and prayer for this weekend.

WHAT'S ON @ BUC – Update your 2022 diaries

Mondays during Term	Creations @ BUC – See Anne Weeks	10.00 am
Tuesdays during Term	<i>Gift of Dance</i> Class	3.30 pm
Tues 17th May	Ladies Fellowship @ BUC BYO Lunch	12 noon
Thurs 19th May	Prayer Meeting via Zoom	7.30 pm
Thurs 26th May	Belrose Probus Club C'tee Meeting @BUC	9.00 am
Thurs 26th May	Prayer Meeting at Church	11.00 am

.Missed a Service? Or want to share it? – You can access all past Sundays recorded services on our **Church YouTube channel: bit.ly/3qJkm2K**

Have a prayer request? Email: prayer.team@belrose.unitingchurch.org.au
Give to Rev. Ian or Place a note in the prayer box near Church front door.



Belrose Uniting Church

*in the Assembly of Confessing Congregations
of the Uniting Church in Australia*

Corner Forest Way and Morgan Road, Belrose

We aim TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

GOOD NEWS WEEK

Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ from Belrose to the world since 1916.

Welcome to Church

Who are we?

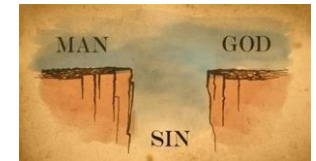
We are all about following Jesus. We seek to worship God in a welcoming and supportive environment that fosters teaching and growth, modelling and sharing Jesus' love in word and action within our church and the wider community.

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.



15th May 2022

9.30 am Morning Church
Christianity Explored #3 Sin
Bible Reading Mark 2:1 – 12



Service Leader: Ian Weeks

Music: Gwen Gatford

Welcoming: Ken Attwooll & Cathie Browning

Morning Tea: Susana & Livai Ofiu

Preacher: Ian Weeks

Reader: John Shears

Flowers: Jan McGuire

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Facebook: *Belrose Uniting Church Group*

Prayer Requests: prayer.team@belrose.unitingchurch.org.au

**Normal Sunday
Services**
9:30am & 5.30pm



AM Service Notes Christianity Explored: *What's the best news you've ever heard?*

This 7 part video series on **exploring the Christian faith**, and the significance of Jesus for us today, will be shown on the morning services .

Who will you invite to come and explore who Jesus is and how we might respond to Him?

Christianity Explored #3 Sin Mark 2:1 - 12

1) CE #3 – Sin

In Mark's Gospel, we are challenged about Jesus' identity: Jesus is the Christ (God's only chosen King) and God's Son.

In this session we will see what Mark tells us about why Jesus came and why His identity is important.

2) Mark 2:1 - 12

Questions:

What do you think the crowd that had heard that Jesus was coming were expecting?

Why do you think the 4 men thought Jesus could help their paralysed friend?

Why were the teachers of the law so annoyed by what Jesus said (vv 6,7)?

How do we know that Jesus had the authority to forgive sin?

3) CE Video #3 Sin

4) Video Notes:

Jesus said: *"I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."* (Mark 2:17)

"The reason the world is not the way it's supposed to be is because we are not the way we're supposed to be." (Rico Tice)

Jesus tells us that "sin" comes from "within", from our "hearts" (Mark 7). So each of us has a heart problem!

What is sin?

- * Treating others & the world in a shameful way & treating God the same!
- * Not loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.
- * Rebelling against God, our Maker & rightful ruler.

Jesus came to:

- * Cure us of our heart problem.

* Lovely warn us about hell because He doesn't want us to go there. Our sin means we're all in danger, whether we realize it or not (Mark 9).

5) Questions:

Why do you think Jesus used such extreme language when talking about the need to avoid hell?

How do you feel about hell? What do you think hell will be like?

Imagine that all of your thoughts, words and actions were displayed for everyone to see. How would you feel?

6) For Further Reading and Reflection: Mark 6:1 – 8:29

What does this section of Mark's Gospel

* tell us about Jesus' identity and purpose?

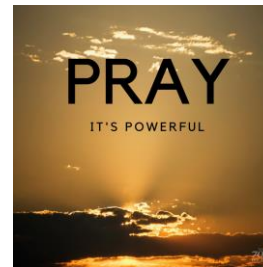
* tell us about peoples' reaction to His teaching/preaching?

Jesus saw a large crowd in Mark 6:34 as "sheep without a shepherd". What did He do about it?

If Jesus looked at the faces of people in our community today, what might He say?

In Mark 8:29, Jesus asks a challenging question. How would you answer it?

Do you have questions about Jesus' identity & mission?



People, Participation and Prayer: a church isn't a building of bricks 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 **Good News Week** are some of the things we are doing, events and activities we think are worthwhile, and people and things to pray for. Please pray regularly for your Church family.

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

Next Prayer Meeting: Thursday 19th May 7.30 pm Via Zoom
Reading from the book of Proverbs together, sharing & praying.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

* *Those recovering from illnesses, undergoing treatments, managing ailments:* Jan & Gordon Allan, Jen Dinning, Gordon Richardson, John Bishop, Sierk Dykman, Gwen Gafford, Gloria Attwooll.

* Praise God for the healing that Denis Wall has received – the tumour has shrunk considerably. Continue to pray for ongoing healing & strength for Denis & Lisle.

* Mission partners: Bruce & Kathy in Nigeria; Edwardes Family in Ireland

* Evangelistic opportunities to share the Gospel

* Scripture in Schools (SRE) in Term 2: students and teachers.

* Kairos Outside for Women Weekend **27th – 29th May**. Anne Weeks is a team member and would value your support, encouragement and prayer for this weekend.