

Bathurst Uniting Church

Sharing God's love by connecting people to God; people to people; and people to community.

Newsletter

June 2021

Physical Distance - Social Connection - Community Care

Family Worship at 9.30am

6 June Brian Mowbray

Holy Communion

13 June Lynne & Tim Collett

20 June Monday Lunchtime Bible Study group

27 June Julie Fry

4 July Rev David Wrightson

'Sunday @ 5'

At 5pm – contemporary, informal, all ages worship in the Activities Hall.

All are welcome!

Please note: There will be no 5pm worship on Sunday 13 June (Long Weekend)

Staying Connected

For pastoral support, please contact your Pastoral Partner, or one of the Elders, or email BUCconnect@gmail.com and we'll put you in touch with someone.

If you have items for the Newsletter please send them to Ruth at revaughan@bigpond.com by 9pm on the last Wednesday of the month .

Our Small Difference

We may not be able to confront queens, or challenge presidents;

We may not have the capacity to divert resources, or uplift communities;

We may not have the voice to silence the noise of war, or the words to negotiate peace between armies;
But, as we follow you, O Christ, we are able to do something.

And so, we pray that you would inspire us to commit to and act on the small difference we can make: May we bring peace through small acts of gentleness and reconciliation;

May we bring wealth through small contributions and collaborations; May we bring safety through small acts of consideration and acceptance;

May we bring wholeness through small acts of care and service.

And in the small ways, O God, may our small difference make a big contribution to your saving work in our world.

A prayer by John Van de Laar <u>www.sacredise.com</u>

The 9.30am this Sunday, 6 June will include the Baptism of

Chloe Joan Markwick,

the daughter of Amy & Kris Markwick.

We warmly welcome Chloe and her family and friends to this special occasion.



Pentecost Luncheon

Our luncheon on Sunday 23rd May was a wonderful opportunity for a social gathering and enabled us to raise money for Supporting Our Local Mums who are on the Substance Use in Pregnancy and Parenting Program SUPPS. We raised \$300 which was great! A big thank you to all those who helped setup, serve and wash up.

There were quite a few new people who came to the luncheon and told me how much they enjoyed getting to know other people in our congregation.

Thank you everyone for being part of this special time. Ellie



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a Congregational Meeting immediately following the morning Service on Sunday 20th June.

The purpose of this Meeting will be for the Joint Nominating Committee (JNC) and the Presbytery to bring a proposal to the Congregation for a Call to Placement as a Minister of the Word in the Bathurst Uniting Church Congregation.

LOTS HAPPENING IN THE BUSS PROGRAM.

Some of the latest news is:

The Shelter Cafe is now operating for lunch on Saturdays and Sundays from 12.00-2.00pm. It is providing hot meals, clothing and sleeping bags for those in need. 28 volunteers have undergone training including 11 CSU Paramedic Students. It was heartwarming that people from other support groups that meet at our church also volunteered their time to assist at the cafe.

Panthers have provided their courtesy bus to provide daily transport from Kelso to the Methadone Clinic at the Hospital. It is a manual bus, and drivers must be over 25 years.

There will be a volunteer on each bus alongside the driver. If you would be able to help, please speak to Julie or Judy.

Our email address is BUSS2795@gmail.com

To keep up to date with all the BUSS activities please see our Facebook page http://.facebook.com/BathurstUnitingSS





On Thursday 27th May we met 8 beautiful nannas from Nanna's Haberdashery in Kandos. They travelled down in their bus and had morning tea with us in the Shelter Cafe. The Nanna's work tirelessly to raise funds to support the community.

What a lovely group of kind hearted, very generous and giving ladies!

They presented the Shelter Cafe with an

amazing financial donation and 20 bags of warm winter clothing. Thank you nanna's for your kindness and support with our many community projects. We are very lucky and thankful that they thought of us.



This is a very special microwave!



Michael carried it in his arms all the way from Kelso to the church to give it to us to use at the Cafe! Took him an hour to walk to us. What a wonderful gift of love it is.

Michael survives by digging through bins to find bottles and cans and he has a message for us all. BATHURST UNITING CHURCH PEOPLE ARE REALLY BAD AT RECYCLING. So lets all make an effort to help Michael and others like him find the bottles easier by putting them in the yellow bins.

And thank you Michael for your generous gift!

Do you know anyone who would appreciate receiving the newsletter by regular mail so that they can keep in touch with what is happening even if they are unable to come to church and don't have an email address?

If so please let Ruth know and that can be arranged. revaughan@bigpond.com

MANY WAYS TO GIVE:

- In the collection plate on Sundays
- You can set up a regular direct debit to the church account (see Deb Mina to do this)
- Deposits to general church funds can be made in person at any branch of the Reliance or Unity Bank . They will be anonymous. This includes donations for the Mums program we are supporting.

BSB 882000 Account 0:300003447 Account Name: Bathurst Uniting Church Congregation

- OR Internet transfers can be made to
 BSB: 634634 Account No: 100027964
 Account Name: Bathurst City Giving Direct
- If you wish to deposit money into our welfare account the details are:
 BSB: 882000 Account Number 100140356

Account Name: Bathurst Uniting Church welfare

If you wish to deposit into the BUSS account

the details are BSB:634634 Account

Number:100049962

Please note there have been some changes to these details so please check if you are making deposits.

In case you missed seeing this in the Western Advocate on 12 May.

Heritage Act 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

The Heritage Council of NSW is considering whether to recommend the place below for listing on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of its heritage significance.

Bathurst City Uniting Church and Chapel (including William Davidson pipe organ) and its setting, Bathurst

Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 11 July 2021. Enquiries to Lucy Hampton on (02) 9873 8535 or lucy.hampton@environment.nsw.gov.au

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at: heritage.nsw.gov.au/ protecting-our-heritage/nominate-listingon-the-state-heritage-register/nominationsbeing-considered/

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