

# CALENDAR



*Burwood Uniting Church*

*February - March 2023*

## February 2023

- 4th Easy Walking Group: Graeme and Jenny Stone 9878 1652.
- 5th Elders, Worship leaders meet after Worship.
- 6th Ladies' Fellowship, contact Dianne or Floss.
- 8th 8.00pm Hospitality Team meeting.
- 12th 11.45am BUC Council+Elders meeting
- 16th 10am Barry's Place planning meeting.
- 19th Pancake morning tea (after Worship).
- 19th Corner Connection meets at Burwood Heights.
- 20th 1.30pm Men's Fellowship, contact Kevin or Graeme S.
- 24th 10am **Lenten studies begin**, study book is 'Holy Habits: Following Jesus'.
- 26th 11.15am BUC Congregational meeting after Worship.
- 26th Sunday evening, **Zoom group Lenten Studies**, led by our Rev Paul Ryu.

## March 2023

- 4th Easy Walking Group: Graeme and Jenny Stone 9878 1652.
- 6th Ladies' Fellowship, contact Dianne or Floss.
- 20th Men's Fellowship, contact Kevin or Graeme S.
- 22nd 5pm World Day of Prayer, hosted by Ashburton Uniting Church
- 26th BUC AGM after Worship

## April 2023

- 1st Easy Walking Group: Graeme and Jenny Stone 9878 1652.
- 3rd Ladies' Fellowship, contact Dianne or Floss.
- 6th **8pm Maundy Thursday gathering.**
- 7th **9.30am Good Friday service.**
- 9th **10am Easter Sunday service.**
- 17th Men's Fellowship, contact Kevin or Graeme S.



"Do this in remembrance of me"



"Lamb of God". leadlight window Burwood Uniting



Pax Christi, leadlight window



Crown of Thorns, leadlight window Burwood Uniting

# Message from minister Paul

**G**race and peace from God be with you all. As we continue our journey of faith and discipleship, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the importance of cultivating good habits for spiritual growth. As Christians, we know that our daily habits and routines have a significant impact on our spiritual lives, and we are called to intentionally seek out practices that draw us closer to God.

One such practice is the recitation of the Lord's Prayer, which has been a cornerstone of Christian prayer for centuries. This prayer, given to us by Jesus himself, provides us with a structure and framework for our daily conversations with God, helping us to center our hearts and minds on Him and His will.

Additionally, we are now entering the season of Lent, which provides us with a unique opportunity to deepen our spiritual disciplines and cultivate good habits for our spiritual growth. This time of reflection, repentance, and sacrifice

encourages us to let go of distractions and excesses in our lives and focus more fully on God and His will for us.

As we journey through Lent, I encourage each of us to make a renewed commitment to cultivating good habits that draw us closer to God. This might include the daily recitation of the Lord's Prayer, carving out time for regular reflection and prayer, or engaging in acts of service and generosity that help to bring God's kingdom to fruition here on earth.

May this season of Lent be a time of growth, transformation, and renewal as we seek to deepen our spiritual connection with God and live more fully into the abundant life that He has called us to.

Yours in Christ,

*Rev Paul Ryu*



## BUC COMMUNITY GROUPS AND WORSHIP SERVICES (CHECK COVID DIRECTIVES)

**LADIES' FELLOWSHIP:** Meetings will take place on the first Monday of the month at 2.00pm, unless otherwise advised. **Dianne** 9808 5015 and **Floss** 9913 8380.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** An opportunity to share interests and hear interesting speakers, 3rd Monday of the month 1.30pm. Contact **Kevin or Graeme S.**

**EASY WALKING GROUP:** All are welcome to join. Meet 1st Saturday 9.15am @ BUC. Contact **Graeme and Jenny** 9878 1652.

**Congregation Contact:** Fran Wilmott 0405 396 009.

**Pastoral Care** for the Elderly, **Rev. Dr. Paul Moore** 0418 303 486

### WORSHIP @ BUC: ALL ARE WELCOME!

**SUNDAY:** Family worship 10.00am, Children always welcome - activities available in Chapel area. (Enquiries re all ages: Jessie 9569 8049)  
Holy Communion regularly 4th Sunday.

**PRAYER AND STUDY GROUPS:** BUC Small Group Bible Study. The group will use *With Love to the World* and meets Wednesdays 9.00 -10am in Barry's Place.

**PRAYER NETWORK** available, contact Fran.

**LENTEN STUDIES** starting Friday February 24th 10am at the church. Paul Ryu will lead. All welcome. Sunday night zoom meeting also available starting February 26th - Paul Ryu is also leading this. Both for 6 weeks, 'Holy Habits' booklet will be used - available from Mary 0466 460820

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