



## Welcome to Burwood Uniting Church

**Grounded in Faith/Engaged in the World, BUC is called**  
**To know** God personally and God's mission for the world  
**To be** an adventurous Christ-Centred Community  
**To relate** through God's reconciling love, to all people  
**To respond** faithfully to the urging of the Spirit

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**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024, 10.00am**

**First Sunday after Epiphany/Baptism of the Lord**

*A special welcome to first time worshippers.*

May you be blessed through your time with us.

This service is being live streamed so please join us in **LIVE** worship at 10.00am at this link:

[BUC service live 7 Jan.](#) If you miss the start or wish to view it later, just open [YouTube](#) on your TV or IT device and search for "Burwood Uniting Church Melbourne".

*Worship led by Rev. Paul Ryu and Fran Willmott.*

**SONG OF WELCOME**                      **TIS 314**                      *As with gladness men of old.*

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**NOTICES & SHARING**

**WE SING**                                      **TIS 636**                                      *God has spoken.*

**PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**OFFERING HYMN**                      **TIS 465**                                      *Father in heaven.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
  
Genesis 1:1-5  
Mark 1:4-11

**MESSAGE**                                      *"New beginning."*

**MUSIC REFLECTION**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT**                      **TIS 655**

O, let the Son of God enfold (Sarah)

## **SENDING OUT & BLESSING**

### **SONG OF BLESSING**

**TIS 253**

*O Lord Jesus.*

### **BUC Prayer Focus:**

- As members of BUC we humbly ask for guidance for BUC as we go forward into 2024
  - Teach us to listen to that guidance.
  - Give us the courage to act on it.

### **SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> January:**

**10.00 am Worship Leaders:** Rev Paul Ryu, Mary Casey.

**Lectionary Readings:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, (11-20) ;Ps 139:1-6,13-18; 1 Cor 6:12-20; Jn 1:43-51

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**PEW SHEET:** Please forward all notices to **RICHARD** [richard.hedding@gmail.com](mailto:richard.hedding@gmail.com) by Wednesday 5.00pm. Please state for which date/s you need your notice to be listed. Neither the church email, nor the Office will be accessed for this process, so do not leave any messages in the Office.

**PRAYER NETWORK:** For the month of January please forward prayers to be circulated to Max at [mandf.procter@gmail.com](mailto:mandf.procter@gmail.com) or 0435 602 453 by midday on Mondays. Additional prayers will be circulated as needed.

**BUC UPCOMING EVENTS and SERVICES:** are listed in the latest Calendar under Communications on the website.

**WORSHIP AND ACTIVITIES AT BUC:** As we gather please remember that COVID-19 is still very alive, along with other infectious diseases like colds and flu.

- Observe personal space and respect others safety.
- Hand sanitizer is available, please use it.
- Masks, are available, and are a great way of staying safe and not spreading germs.
- If you are involved in serving food a mask is required.
- If unwell please rest up at home and join us in online worship.

**NON-PERISHABLE FOODS AND CLEANING GOODS:** Please continue donations for Camcare, Burwood East Uniting and Burwood Neighbourhood House. Place your donations in the box in church on Sunday mornings as you enter. You can still contribute in the foyer at any time during the week.

**BARRY'S PLACE DROP- IN** is open Thursdays 10.00 – 11.30am throughout January. An opportunity for us all to keep in touch and for locals to drop in, during this month, when often community groups are not meeting.

**SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY:** Paul will have this day off and we will be lead in our communion service by Rev Dr Bob Mitchell. Bob is looking forward to being with us again, hopefully those who know him will be able to be here to make him feel at home.

**BUC VIDEO OF 2023** was shown in worship on 29 December. To again view and reflect on the year go to the following link. We thank Kevin for making this possible.

<https://youtu.be/wo1CR3HNtZs>

**BUC ANNUAL PICNIC SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JANUARY:** The Hospitality Team wish to invite you to our annual church picnic.

This year it will be held in the Maranoa Botanical Gardens - Parring Road, Balwyn.

- Meet us there after morning tea.
- What to bring: picnic lunch, chair, hat, sunscreen and if you have any outdoor games to play that would be good or you may wish to wander the walking tracks or just sit.
- Dogs are not permitted. There are toilets.

Looking forward to seeing you, Glen and Val. Glen's mobile 0414136311

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## **REGULAR SERVICE**

**Sunday Worship:** 10.00 am: Face to face in the Worship Centre