# TODAY - 27<sup>th</sup> January 2013

10:00am Combined Worship & Farewell to Zoe Chapman Preacher: Rev. Ian Weeks

Reader: Jeanette Mortlev Reading: Mark 1:1-14 Welcomers: Ann Gould, Marilyn Hickson Organist: Jan Allan Venessa's driver: Mike & & Bec Keiller Flowers: Val Wright

No Morning Tea

12 Noon Fellowship Lunch

5.30 pm Youth Service & Farewell to Zoe Chapman followed by Fellowship Dinner

#### **FEBRUARY EVENTS**

10:30am Service resumes

Men's Breakfast 7am

Creations resumes 10am Church Council 7:30pm

Ladies Fellowship 8pm

#### MARCH EVENTS

Men's Breakfast

Alpha starts

12<sup>th</sup> Belrose Fishers Lunch

16<sup>th</sup> Movie Night at Warriewood

19<sup>th</sup> Ladies Fellowship

# NEXT SUNDAY - 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2013

#### **Holy Communion**

Services Series: Moving Forward in Faith - Joshua

Services Theme: "Be strong and courageous" Reading: Joshua 1:1 – 18

9:00am Preacher: Ian Weeks

Reader: Ann Keiller

Welcomers: Helen Meillon, Tova Swadling

Morning Tea: David & Ann Keiller Organist: Jan Allan Venessa's drivers: Ross & Tova Swadling Flowers: Jan McGuire

Preacher: Ian Weeks 10:30am Family Service

6:30pm Youth Service Preacher: Ian Weeks

Newsweek contributions are very welcome and should be given to Robert Murphy by 7.00pm Thursday on Ph. 9975 2245 or by email to <a href="mailto:murphyffoz@bigpond.com">murphyffoz@bigpond.com</a> please. Any roster changes should also be advised to Robert Murphy.



# **NEWSWEEK**

**Belrose Uniting Church** Cnr Forest Wav & Morgan Rd, Belrose

# 27<sup>th</sup> JAN



#### TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN

#### Another year of following Jesus!

How is the new year unfolding for you? Is it filling you with excited anticipation or fearful anxiety? I must confess I am feeling both!

Following Jesus means that life on this earth will always be a mix of excitement and nervousness. It is exciting to be in a relationship with God through Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit to be the person God wants me to be, and to do the things God is calling me to do. But this can sometimes be scary. Who knows where Jesus may lead? Who knows what challenges and obstacles I might encounter as I obey?

The disciples must have felt like this at times as they followed Jesus. In Mark Chapter 1 we read of Jesus calling fishermen to follow Him. Mark only records the bare facts - they heard and they followed. Mark doesn't record how they felt: their fears or anxieties - but it must have been an emotional roller-coaster ride.

They left their jobs, their families and friends, their secure and familiar ways of life, to follow Jesus where? Along the hard road of discipleship, and ultimately to the cross. Yet they heard and they obeyed. They trusted Jesus!

Thankfully, like them I can trust in a gracious, compassionate, loving, faithful and powerful Saviour to always be there with me as I obey & follow Him. You can too. 2013 – another great year to follow Jesus!

Ian Weeks

#### Called to Serve?

As the new year gets underway, perhaps you may be feeling called to serve the Lord at BUC? We are looking for volunteers in the following ministries:

- \* KidzChurch (Sunday School) teachers & assistants for 10.30 am service
- \* Crèche workers for 10.30 am service & Friday morning Bible study group
- \* Pianist for 10.30am service
- \* Playgroup co-ordinators & assistants Wed & Thursday mornings
- \* Secretary for Church Council
- \* something else you would like to do?

For more info on any of these roles, please talk to Rev. Ian

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**Sunday Services** 

9:00am, 10:30am, 6.30pm\*

(\*5:30pm Youth Service on the last Sunday in each month)

Welcome Back to Rev Ian and Anne after their January break. Thank you to Ross Swadling, Bob Pryor and Liam and Zoe Chapman for looking after the services whilst Ian was away.

Good News Magazine - The next issue for Feb – April is soon to be printed. If you have any contributions for this publication, please forward them to Venessa Crane venessac@tpg.com.au

## **Forest Prayer Network Breakfast** Meeting

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2013 7.30 - 9.30 am at Ku-ring-gai Alliance Church, Cnr Moore Ave & Bradfield Rd. West Lindfield, All welcome to share in breakfast & prayer \$4.00 pp

# Church Council meets on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. at 7.30 pm

If you have any items you would like the Church Council to address, please let Rev. Ian know ASAP.

#### MISSION OF THE MONTH

For January the Mission of the Month is the UnitingWorld Appeal for relief for Samoa and Fiji, following the devastating Cyclone Evan which left a trail of destruction across the islands in December. UnitingWorld works with partner Churches, the Methodist Church of Fiii and the Congregational Church of Samoa in providing help. Donations may be placed in the offering using the MISSION OF THE MONTH envelopes from the pews.

Wait for the LORD: be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.

Psalm 27:14(NIV)

# Did you know that there is a Christian Bookshop at Dee Why?

Warringah Christian Bookshop Stones Arcade. Cnr Pittwater & Fisher Rds, Dee Why Ph 9971 7188. This is a not-for-profit shop and proceeds go to Christian missions & charities.

# Praver requests

**Praise God** – For healing June Nisbet and also answering many of our specific prayers.

# Let us Pray for:-

Healing & Comfort

Jenny Dinning Denis Wall John Bishop Esme & Jim

Morrell.

Bill Schnabel Bonnie Hope Colin Gale Thaylee

Kriss & Family

#### **Protection & Provision**

Ps. Ian & Anne Weeks – Ministry at

Bruce & Kathy – Iceve Alphabet meeting

Phil. Glenda & kids - Missionaries. **PNG** 

Brad Thornton - Davidson SRE Teacher

#### Prayer for BUC

Evangelistic outreach throughout 2013 New Youth Prayer Team – empower

Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed from that moment. Matthew 9:22 (NIV)

Men's Breakfast for February will be on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 7am rather than the usual date. All men are very welcome to attend. Please speak with Ross Swadling or Wayne Giddy

# Farewell

Today we farewell Zoe and Liam. After over ten vears in the Youth Ministry Zoe will leave this role. Together Zoe and Liam have contributed so much to the life of our Church.



Their legacy will be the many young people dedicated to serving The Lord in Belrose and beyond.

Zoe has been a member of Church Council for over seven years. Her contribution has been invaluable. Liam has contributed so much to the development of the night service and his leadership and ministry have been greatly appreciated.

Whilst Zoe and Liam are moving away from our Church they will still always remain part of our special Church family.

# Alpha Starts Monday - 4<sup>th</sup> March!

# **Exciting new 8 week Alpha Course**

- (this proved very effective last year). Discover and discuss truth about Jesus! Suitable for all ages - potential, new and mature Christians. (It covers fundaments for potential Christians, & provides opportunity during discussion, to deeply explore issues that are raised - in a friendly & welcoming environment.) **When**: Weekly - starting Mon 4<sup>th</sup> March Where: Belrose Uniting Church

Cost: Free - supper provided

Bring your family & friends! (Contact: John & Jo Hunter)

And you will know the Truth, and the Truth will set you free. John 8:32 (AMP)

#### Social Events 2013

The Social Events team has had the first meeting for 2013! Please note the following dates in your diaries. We are looking forward to an exciting year of fellowship!

Saturday 16th March - Dinner and movie at Warriewood

Saturday 11th May - Trivia Night fundraising for the local firies

Saturday 3rd August - Youth Fundraiser (bands) -

Saturday 7th September - Community Outreach Day - more details later

Sunday 11th November - Fish and Chips Dee Why Beach

#### **Induction of Kirk Minister**

The Church Council of the Forest Kirk extends to you a hearty invitation to attend the induction of our new Minister. the Rev. Melinda Graham, by the Presbytery of Ku-ring-gai at 7.30 pm on Friday 8 February 2013 at the Forest Kirk.

The occasional sermon will be preached by the Rev. Noreen Towers, well known for her work for many years at Wesley Mission's Edward Eagar Lodge.

Supper will be served after the service and will afford an opportunity to meet our new Minister. We look forward to welcoming members of Belrose Church who might be interested to attend. We also look forward to increasing good relations between our congregations in the future.

Please RSVP to the email address below by 1<sup>st</sup> February.

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