

CHURCH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2012

A Letter from the Nominating Committee to all members of the Congregation.

Dear Friends,

This is a very exciting time in the life of Burnside City Uniting Church. We are 'almost' settled into our marvellous new church. Our ministerial team has grown together, and we are looking forward to the next stage in fulfilling our Vision.

We have been wonderfully well served by the members of the present Church Council who have guided us wisely through some very complex issues over the last few years of transition. We thank God for all of them, their effort and their commitment.

It will be healthy for the new Council to have some continuity, but also to have room for new faces. As we look to the future, it is good that we are required to have at least two members elected who are under 35 years of age. We need a Council which combines the experience of age, and a sense of the baton being passed to a new generation.

We therefore ask you all to consider prayerfully, whether you know someone whom you might encourage to consider nominating, or whether you yourself would be open to being nominated. If either is the case, please feel free to talk with any member of the Committee. We can supply you with more details by providing you with a Nomination Package. We can also discuss any aspects of the role, and the procedural matters which the Nomination Committee has to oversee.

May God be with you as you consider this opportunity for service.

Gaynor S, Marie R, Tim P and Geoff B



L to R: Geoff, Gaynor, Tim



Marie

THIS WEEK AT BCUC

Monday 30th Jan

10.00am Mainly Music

contact: Marlene R

Tuesday 31st Jan

9.30am Ladies' Table Tennis

contact: Trix B

Wednesday 1st Feb

7.45am Prayer group - all welcome

10.00am Mission Support Task Group

contact: Gwen M

Thursday 2nd Feb

10.00am Sew 'n' Chat

contact: Maureen W

12.00pm Friendship Club

contact: Anita W

7.30pm Choir Practice

Friday 3rd Feb

5.30pm Eastern Youth

contact: Sarah B

Saturday 4th Feb

7.30am BICC Breakfast (see below)

contact: Keith M

9.30am Small group leaders' training

contact: Scott B

Sunday 5th Feb

4.00pm "Taste" (details below)

5.30pm Church Wide Prayer Time

NEWS AND NOTICES

"TASTE"

A five-week interactive course on the basics of the Christian faith. Starts **this afternoon** at 4pm. For more information, contact Jeff H.

CHURCH WIDE PRAYER MEETING

Today, 5.30 - 6.30pm in the main worship space. An opportunity to come together

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and pray for those who are here and those who are yet to come.

MISSION SUPPORT TASK GROUP

The first meeting for this year is on Wednesday 1st February at 10am in the small meeting room upstairs. Any new members will be welcome.

Gwen M. Convenor

PRAYER BREAKFAST

The first Burnside Inter Church Prayer Breakfast for 2012 will be held at BCUC on Saturday 4th February, 7.30 - 9am. Come and enjoy the fellowship and join in prayers for local, national and international needs.

SMALL GROUP LEADERSHIP BASICS

Over four Saturdays in February (4, 11, 18, 25, 9.30 to 11am), Scott will lead a four week course that will cover the basics of leading a small group and understanding the dynamics of group discussion. It is relevant for anyone currently leading or hosting a small group of any kind, or potential leaders. To register, please phone or email Ann P or Scott at the office. For more information, please talk to Scott.

CAMPS FARTHEST OUT TOGETHER DAY

Saturday 4th February, 9.30am-4pm at Rosefield UC. The program includes singing, a guest speaker and prayer, with a bring and share lunch. More information available from Rajini or Patricia H.

1st & 3rd TUESDAY HOUSE GROUP

Our first meeting for 2012 will be at BCUC on Tuesday 7th February, 7.30pm, when we will study 'Be-Attitude 6'. New members welcome. Please contact the church office or Jocelyn & Ray N.



Burnside City Uniting Church

Community, Faith and Purpose

Sunday 29th January 2012

WELCOME

If you are new to Burnside City Uniting Church please look out for one of our Connect Team members (in the blue BCUC t-shirts). They would love to help you find a seat in one of our worship services and treat you to a cup of tea or coffee afterwards.

TODAY'S SERVICES

FOUR PRACTICES FOR AN EFFECTIVE LIFE AND WITNESS **"Service" (Acts 2:44-45, 47)**

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WORSHIP SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY **PRAYING TOGETHER - "The Impact of Corporate Prayer"**

9.00am *Contemporary Worship*
10.30am *Café Worship (in Hall)*
10.30am *Classic Worship*

We offer a range of small groups which cater for all ages. Most are based in people's homes and meet either during the day or in the evening. For further information, please contact Matthew Bond (0400 777410).

If you have any Pastoral Care needs, please contact Matthew Bond by phone or email (matthewb@bcuc.com.au)

Prayer requests can be forwarded to the Prayer Network by contacting Jan and Jeff H. or Angela A.

***A Vibrant Community, Committed to Jesus,
Passionately Engaged in Mission***



INVITING NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF CHURCH COUNCILLOR

At the recent Congregational Meeting a detailed motion was passed outlining procedures designed to renew the Church Council as a vital element for the next exciting phase in fulfilling our vision for BCUC. To that end, the present Church Council seeks nominations for election to the new Church Council from people who sense a calling to serve in this role.

According to the decision of the Congregational Meeting, a Nomination Committee has been formed to facilitate the nomination procedure. Its purpose is to encourage church members to give prayerful consideration to those who might be encouraged to accept the call to nominate for this avenue of service. Its purpose is to facilitate the process and not to 'vet' nominations.

The Nomination Committee consists of:

Geoffrey Bean, Convenor
Tim Piper
Marie Roberts
Gaynor Strapp

The closing date for nominations to be submitted to a member of the Nomination Committee is **Sunday, February 26th**.

The names of Nominees will be published in the Newsletter on **Sunday, March 4th**.

The election will take place during each of the services on **Sunday, March 18th**.

The result of the election will be announced on **Sunday, March 25th**.

A Nomination package can be obtained from any member of the Nomination Committee or from Ann Piper in the Church office.

The Nomination package will contain :

An explanation concerning the package and necessary procedures
A Nomination Form
BCUC Council Rules and procedures
The Profile and Role of an Elder/ Church Councillor