

(Another) Minister's Weekly Word...

What do we have to advertise? Spring Fair, special events, visitors for special occasions? Living as we do in a world saturated with advertising, it is easy to be very "ho, hum" about it. Throw in the recycle bin the papers from your letter box; pick them up from the front lawn if they blow along the foot path (if you have one!).

Make another cuppa when the ads come on TV (if you can drink that quantity of tea or coffee, that is!). Laugh at the funny ones; wonder what sponsors think we get from their ads; ignore the ones that come repeatedly every 15 mins!. Is that what we do? No wonder we got tired of the election champagne with its ads, ads, ads.

So what do WE have to advertise, and how?

At the 11.30 am Communion Service on Wednesday this week several of us were talking about the need for people to be able to worship at times other than Sunday mornings. With the increasing busyness of weekends and Sunday working, we need to be making more opportunities for people to worship together mid week, and our Wednesday Communion is a good start. But how do we let people know? The sign on the notice board for the Church is useful, but it does not 'reach' to people unless they come looking. Do we need an advertising program so that people coming into the Southern Highlands to live will know that the Uniting Church is seeking to provide 'open doors' to them and a 'welcome mat'? Wednesday lunch time is always a welcoming time. So let's think together about an advertising strategy to let the community know we are in business for them. *Rev Dr David Manton*

Rev Michael Earl will be on leave from 15 August to 1 September 2016.

**If you have any concerns during that time,
please contact Kathy Searle or Jim Layton.**

Prayer Points...

Pray for the families of the victims of the Italian earthquake, pray for those who are still missing and for those who are searching. Pray for doctors, nurses, rescuers and volunteers in the affected communities.

Material for **WEEKLY NEWS** needs to be provided by noon each Wednesday to Rev Michael Earl or Sharon Hoogland, 48711583 or hooglandsj46@gmail.com. Photos, information or notices promoting the work of the church for our **Website** (bkuc.com.au) should be sent to lucyearl79@gmail.com

Bowral/Kangaloon Uniting Church

"A church for all people..."



Sunday 28 August 2016 (Pentecost 15)

Our ministry focus areas are:

*Worship & Discipleship
Children & Families
Seniors
Community engagement*

You are most welcome at worship today, particularly if you are a visitor or a new resident of the area.

*We would love to get to know you, and help you feel at home.
Please make yourself known.
Join us for coffee after the service!*



**For matters concerning the life of the congregation, contact:
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Readings:

Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14

A Hearing Loop is in place in the Church and Hall.
To access it, switch your hearing aid to the "T" position.
It is advisable not to sit right against the wall

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday 29 August

2.00pm Bible Study @ Margaret Osborne's home
5.30pm Uniting Voices...In Recess

Tuesday 30 August

9.30am UnitingKids Playgroup
9.30am Pieces & Yarns
7.30pm Bible Study for Young Women @ Lucy Earl's home
7.30pm Bible Study @ the Dinning's in Mittagong
7.00pm Bible Study @ Netta McKay's in Mittagong

Wednesday 31 August

10.00am Reflections Study Group @ the Bunker's home. *In recess*
12 noon – 1.30pm OPEN CHURCH
12.30pm Food & Fellowship in the Gallery... All welcome!

Thursday 1 September

4.00pm Kids Connect in the Hall

Friday 2 September

6.00pm Bell Ringing practice

TODAY'S SERVICES 28 August 2016 (Pentecost 15)

9.00am Service of Worship (Rev Dr David Manton)
11.30am Uniting Families Connect Service in the Gallery
6.00pm Evening Fellowship Time

NEXT SUNDAY 4 September 2016 (Pentecost 16)

9.00am Service of Worship (Rev Michael Earl)
6.00pm Evening Fellowship Time

Readings Next Week: Jer 18:1-11; Psalm 1; Philemon 1:1-21; Luke 14:25-33

ROSTER	THIS WEEK: 28 August	NEXT WEEK 4 Sept
Organ	Heather Tredinnick	Heather Tredinnick
PowerPoint	Narelle Harwood	Barry Roberts
Elder	B Pattinson, B Schubert	Sandra House
Stewards	N Harwood, E Bell	Ian and Dianne Prior
Flowers	H Ling, R Robinson	Denise Layton
Kids Church	11.30 Family Connect Service	See Lucy Earl
Morning Tea	Lorraine R & Robyn C	VOLUNTEERS PLEASE



*Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!
If you would like to assist in any of our activities,
please see the Rosters on the Gallery Noticeboard*

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'To shelter or give medical aid to a man on the run, from a police force which will torture & perhaps kill him, is an act of Christian love demanded by Christ in the Gospel & is no more a political act than giving first aid & a cup of tea to a Member of Parliament who has a car smash outside your door'
Sheila Cassidy (b 1937) English Doctor imprisoned & tortured in Chile



COMING EVENTS...

Thursday 8 September	BUC Church Council Executive meeting
Friday 9 September	Induction Rev Kathryn Wyndham, Moss Vale
Fri 16 & Sat 17 September	SPRING FAIR
Sunday 18 September	THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Saturday 24 Sept @ 2.00pm	Flying Padre Concert in our Hall
Saturday 5 November	Southern Highlands ZONE PLANNING DAY
Thursday 24 November:	Seniors Christmas Party @ Bowral UC

Only 3 more weeks until...

BUC SPRING FAIR 16 & 17 September 2016

Donations of goods for sale may be made through Stall Co ordinators:

Books: Kay Smith
Craft: Joan Dinning/Pieces & Yarns
Home Baked: Lorraine Neal
Plants: Brian Pattinson
BBQ: Richard Denman & Phil O'Regan

Please see the Roster in the Gallery if you can help.

Withdrawals Needed!

Jars with metal lids are available for collection in the Gallery after the service...Meg Herbert (aka THE JAR BANKER) will be there to offer assistance



Come to the Flying Padre concert on Saturday Sep 24th

@ 2pm featuring our own Ann Clipsham on piano and guest artist David Henry on trombone.

NEXT WEEK IS Pantry Sunday. Donations of non perishable, pantry staples are on the lists of requests from Anglicare.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES will be collected in the month of September excluding the 11th, but can be dropped off on Wednesday the 7th.

Rhonda Grant

MOSS VALE WELCOMES A NEW MINISTER...

Reverend Kathryn Wyndham will be inducted into the Moss Vale congregation on Friday 9 September at 2.00pm.

Members of the Bowral congregation are invited to attend and welcome Kathryn to the Southern Highlands region.