



The Uniting Church in Australia
Ballarat Central Congregation
 — a pilgrim people — on the way



Notice Sheet for JANUARY 2021



God, Thank you for helping us to make it through this difficult year. Thank you that you've carried us through the uncertainty of deep waters, through the flames of trials, and through the pain of hard losses. We are constantly aware of how much we need you, your grace, your strength, your power working through even the toughest days.

Help us to keep our focus first on you this season. Please forgive us for giving too much time and attention to other things, for looking to other people before coming to you first. Help us to reflect again, on what Christmas is really all about. Thank you that you came to give new life, peace, hope, and joy. Thank you that your power is made perfect in our weakness.

Help us to remember that the gift of Christ, Immanuel, is our greatest treasure, not just at Christmas, but for the whole year through. Fill us with your joy and the peace of your Spirit. Direct our hearts and minds towards you. Thank you for your reminder that both in seasons of celebration and in seasons of brokenness, you're still with us. For you never leave us. Thank you for your daily powerful Presence in our lives, that we can be assured your heart is towards us, your eyes are over us, and your ears are open to our prayers. Thank you that you surround us with favour as with a shield, and we are safe in your care.

We choose to press in close to you today, and keep you first in our hearts and lives. Without you we would surely fail, but with you, there is great hope. Thank you for your healing power, thank you for bringing us into this new season up ahead. We look forward to all that You still have in store. In Jesus' name, Amen.

You are invited to the
 official opening and dedication of

The Chaplaincy Centre
 14 Thompson St., Brown Hill (Ballarat)

A new facility of the
 Uniting Church - Presbytery of Western Victoria.

Sunday, January 31st 2021 at 3:00pm



RSVP by Wednesday January 27th 2021 to:

Graeme Sutton: grarob44@gmail.com 0400 979 742

Andrew Shearer-Cox: andrew@ballaratchaplaincy.com.au 0419 328 872

Minister:	Rev Lauleti Tu'inauvai (Monday—Day off) In BCUC office: Thursday 10am-4pm A: P.O. Box 700 Ballarat VIC 3353 P: 5333 1361 E: lauletitui@gmail.com M: 0413 115 711
Admin & Finance Officer:	Sabine Handreck H: Tuesday— Thursday 8.30am - 2.30pm A: P.O. Box 700 Ballarat VIC 3353 P: 0491 706 667 E: admin@bcuc.org.au W: bcuc.org.au
Youth/ Family Worker:	Andy Gault H: Monday -Tuesday 9am-3.30pm, Friday 9am-12pm P: 0476 880 394 E: youth@bcuc.org.au
Sudanese Services:	Services currently led by Nyalip Pal, please phone Nyalip for more information 0413 416 896
Pastoral Assistant:	Naomi James P: 0402 123 601 Ross Jones P: 0417 108 508

DATE	READINGS	READER	PRAYERS	MUSIC
JAN 3 CHRISTMAS 2	Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:(1-9), 10-18	Murray Stevens	Andrew Boatman	Evan Duggan
JAN 10 BAPTISM OF JESUS	Genesis 1:1-5 Psalm 29 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11	Stephanie Houzet	Rev. Dr. Graeme Sutton	Roger Peck
JAN 17 EPIPHANY 2	1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20) Psalm 139:1-6,13-18 1 Cor.6:12-20 John 1:43-51	Glenice Warner	Karen Coad	Coad family
JAN 24 EPIPHANY 3	Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Psalm 62:5-12 1 Cor. 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20	Trish Martin	Helen Duggan	Ray Hodder
JAN 31 EPIPHANY 4	Deut. 18:15-20 Psalm 111 1 Cor. 8:1-13 Mark 1:21-28	Barbara Snibson	Lyn Fleming	Evan Duggan
FEB 7 EPIPHANY 5	Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Cor. 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39	Barry Wilkins	Richard Jordan	Evan Duggan

2020 OFFERINGS Weekly Budget for 2020 - \$4,100.00

Ballarat Central Offering	Weekly Offering	Received Year To Date	Budget To Date
6th December	\$4,858.55	\$162,578.47	\$200,900.00
13th December	\$1,734.00	\$164,312.47	\$205,000.00
20th December	\$2,303.00	\$166,615.47	\$209,100.00
27th December and to 31st December 2020	\$5,877.77	<u>\$172,493.24</u>	<u>\$213,200.00</u>



**CHAPEL SERVICES
HAVE MOVED TO
TUESDAYS**


MIDWEEK
-WORSHIP SERVICE-

**LIVE
STREAM**

Every Tuesday @ 2pm

<https://www.youtube.com/c/BallaratCentralUnitingChurch>

A Joint Initiative between
Ballarat Regional Healthcare Chaplaincy
& Ballarat Central Uniting Church



GIVING
THANK YOU FOR JOINING GOD
IN HIS WORK IN THIS WORLD

Ballarat Central UC Weekly Giving program
If you are not already involved with our regular giving program we encourage you to do so. There are ways you can be involved. You can directly transfer to Bendigo Bank **BSB 633 000 Account 133779470** and enter the word pledge with your name or phone Ron Harris 5332 2456 who will provide you with a pledge number. Cheques can also be sent to he Treasurer, BCUC, PO Box 700, Ballarat 3353. **Thank you for your Offerings.**

Weekly Communion Services are held at Brown Hill Uniting Church on Wednesdays at 1.30pm. To attend, please contact Liz Mason on 0413 558 981 (Mon/Tues) to register. We invite you to join us at the combined BCUC and Brown Hill Service.

**MARK THIS DATE IN
YOUR DIARY—** 
**Saturday 20th February
BCUC Garage Sale** at the Church.
More information to follow.....

The next Taize Service will be held on the 7th February



The next Family Evening Service will be held on 28th February 5pm



BALLARAT CENTRAL UNITING CHURCH

“ OPEN CHURCH ”
Every Thursday 10am—2pm
restarting 14th January 2021
... Space for Prayer
... Reflection/Contemplation
... Conversation Or just be yourself!
For more info contact Rev Lauleti Tu'inauvali M ;(0413115711) or Office Admin (0491 706 667).



**FAMILY FUN
DAYS** at the Brown Hill Swimming Pool



during January. Andy Gault will advise dates and times. See you there!

Bring Sunscreen, Bathers, Towel, Hat, Drink, etc. More info from Andy
M : 0476 880 394