



*We believe we are called by God to be an inclusive
Christian community, committed to justice,
learning, service and care.*



BLACKWOOD UNITING CHURCH
More than a Sunday Church...

Week of 14th of February 2025
Service on Sunday 16th of February 2025
Service: 9.15am and 11am
Message: Rev Anne Hewitt
Worship Leader: Marian Hicks
Reader: Jan Wiseman
Live Streamed

**Lectionary readings – Sunday 16th February
(Epiphany 6)**

**** Jer 17: 5-10 ** Ps 1 ****
**** 1 Cor 15: 12-20 ** Lk 6: 17-26 ****

Next Services

Sunday 23rd February (Epiphany 7)
Sunday 9.15am and 11am
Message: Rev Anne Hewitt
Worship Leader: Mark Gill
Reader: Jan Wiseman

Reflection: Something to Think About

READING for Sunday 16th February: Luke 6:17-26

PRAYER of Assurance

My soul struggles at times in my faith-filled life.
Yet, you bring clarity and assurance.
In the desert wanderings of my soul,
heat-shimmers create illusions that distract me.
I need your Way to see what lies ahead.
Like thirsty roots reaching wide and deep for life-giving water,

I long for your refreshment.

Over the raucous calls of the chaotic Corellas,
I hear you whisper in my inner life.
The endless blue sky speaks of your continuum,
while the ceaseless ocean waves
carry me over seismic turbulence beneath.
Stillness comes as I sit on earth;
Your steadfastness is as a rock.
The wind blows me forward,
and the tumbleweeds of doubt do not block my way.
Your realm is continually revealed
and for this, I give thanks.
My soul wrestles in my faith filled life,
and you bring clarity and assurance.

Rev Anne Hewitt

Contact details for Rev Anne Hewitt

It has certainly been a busy time welcoming the Rev Anne Hewitt into our midst. As such, there have been any number of things that have needed to be done including the communications for our new Minister. We have had a few issues along the way with the technology (as is often the wont with such things). However, the BUC team have been working hard to ensure that they will be resolved as soon as possible.

Whilst the minister@blackwooduc.org.au is the go to email to send info to Anne, if you do have any issues with it or are concerned that she may not have received your communication, please direct your email to the front office with a subject note of Attention Anne. Emails with this subject will remain unread, but will be forwarded and I will ensure that it gets through. Just like a good Sunday tablecloth the creases in the system will be ironed out as soon as possible.

As always, thank you so much for your patience.

Peta Workman

Seeking Help with transport to Art Class

I'm going to be without a car for the next three weeks (19th Feb 26th Feb and 5th March) and I'm wondering if anyone would be coming up to Blackwood from the Coromandel Valley area who would be willing, and able, to call past and give me a lift to the church around 1pm.
No need to take me home afterwards.

Many thanks. Marnie Agnew mob 0408 474 699

Marnie Agnew

Book club

The church book club will be held on Tuesday 18th February in the foyer of the Blackwood Uniting Church at 2pm.

We will be discussing "Safe Haven" by Shankari Chandra's.



Joy Belling

BUC Walk on Sunday 23 February

Janet and Michael will lead a walk on Sunday 23 February from the Brighton Railway Station car park down to, and along the beach.

As it may be on the warm side, we will start the walk at 4.30 pm as in years previous.

Janet 0410 323 010 and Michael 0415 698 663

Janet Taylor Hughes



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UCA Synod Ecumenical Relations Committee
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Prayers for Peace & Justice across the World


**Saturday 1st March
2pm-5pm**

Blackwood Uniting Church
266 Main Rd Blackwood

Stay for all or for a short while

- **Focus Stations around the Chapel**
- **On the hour, ecumenical prayers for our Australian Churches**
- **Rest & Refresh space**
- **Chaplain available**

Register to assist with preparation:
minister@blackwooduc.org.au



WORD FOR THE WEEK

"Let us develop respect for all living things. Let us try to replace violence and intolerance with understanding and compassion. And love."

Jane Goodall



Looking ahead in 2025

Saturday	15 th February	Zero by 2040 Electric Vehicle Event
Tuesday	18 th February	Book Club
Sunday	2 nd March	Messy Church

Philosophers Lunch

	Rev Anne Hewitt 8278 7699 Wednesday & Thursday minister@blackwooduc.org.au
	Peta Workman Office Manager & Community Program Coordinator Tuesday to Friday 9:00am – 2:30pm office@blackwooduc.org.au
MHICC – BUC representatives Carys Penny Tim Lee	
	BUC website www.blackwooduc.org.au
	GIVING back to God http://blackwooduc.org.au/giving/

**Order of Services to be emailed to buc.worship@gmail.com
& office@blackwooduc.org.au by Wednesday prior to the
following Sunday.**