

Reflecting God's Love in Community
BALGOWLAH CROMER FRESHWATER

# Welcome to Worship Connections



# Sunday 20 October 2024

# This week's Lectionary readings

Pent 22: Jb 38:1-7, (34-41); Ps 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Heb 5:1-10; Mk 10:35-45

### **Next week's readings**

Pent 23: Jb 42:1-6,10-17; Ps 34:1-8, (19-22); Heb 7:23-28; Mk 10:46-52

# In our Region Ministry

# **NBUC Congregational – Annual General Meeting**

The AGM for 2024 will be held on Sunday 1 December @ 11am @ NBUC@Balgowlah

This is a good opportunity to come together, celebrate the special things that have been happening and to review and plan for the year ahead.

An Agenda will be issued closer to the time, but the RMC felt it important to let everyone know who is currently on the Regional Mission Council.

Kim Reed (Chairperson), Max Blacker (Treasurer), Jane Yabsley (Secretary), Rev Trish Rooney (Minister in Placement), Rev Alfred Palu, Ann Sharpe, Gwenda Davies, Barbara Williams, Jeff Conroy, Michalea Antill-Cassie (Student practicum 12-month placement).

New members are welcome and if you feel you have gifts to offer, Jane will send out information as to how to nominate to serve on the RMC.

# **Gambling Impacts on the Northern Beaches**

#### A Public Roundtable

If you would like to learn more about how gambling could be impacting your friends or family, or you'd like a chance to have a say in how the Northern Beaches can take action to minimise gambling harm, you are warmly invited to join this public Roundtable.

Workshops will include professional development, gambling and young people and gambling and older people, creating a roadmap for the next steps in our community.

#### Free Tickets



② 2.5 Hours

& Refreshments

#### Join us

Date: October 22nd 2024

Time: 9.30am-12:00pm

Light refreshments provided after

Location: Northern Beaches Council

725 Pittwater Rd, Dee Why NSW 2099

Entry from Civic Pde

This Roundtable is hosted by Northern Beaches Council and organised by the following local community groups:















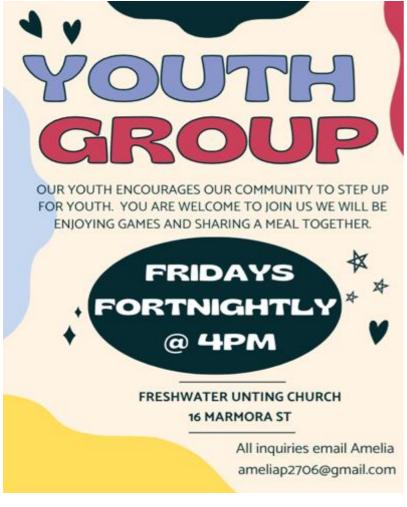




# Coming up events ...

# BIG NEWS CROMER GENTLE EXERCISES Cromer are excited to announce a new weekly gentle exercise class running each Friday @ 9.30am starting Friday 18 Oct during the school term. Our teacher Germaine Mulholland also runs the School for Senior exercise classes. For more information, please contact Phyllis Murdin on phyllismurdin@gmail.com or 0429 063 789.





Next one is this Friday 18 October

#### **Freshwater**



#### FRESHWATER CRAFT DAY

All are welcome to join our craft day with lots of knitting and crocheting or bring along a current or new project. We will be collecting for The Heart Lung Foundation, one of our Church's mission-based charities.

Lunch will be enjoyed in our garden, please BYO your own. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Friday 25 October 11am-4pm
Freshwater Uniting Church, 16 Marmora St

All inquiries please email kayelewis59@gmail.com

Our Youth Group will be performing at the upcoming World Food Markets in Newport. hosted by the Northern Beaches Council this weekend. Drop by they would love your support.

All enquiries please contact Amelia Palu on ameliap2706@gmail.com





# OPERATON CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)

Last week we sent thirty boxes filled with gifts, a large bag of extra gifts and \$480, (\$200 from Freshwater church and \$280 from members of Cromer and Freshwater churches) to help cover the cost of freight.

Imagine the joy these boxes will bring to the children who receive the boxes. Thanks to everyone involved in this wonderful outreach ... the power of a simple gift.

A big thanks to all who helped with this worthy cause, God's blessings to you, Ruth

# **Balgowlah**

Family Focused Service @ Balgowlah Sunday 20th October 2024 9.30am All are welcome



How does Jesus show you the image of God?

# AFTERNOON OF ART

Saturday 26 October 3.30-5.30pm Balgowlah Uniting Church, 122 Condamine St

Join our new creative activity for the community providing an experience that intertwines creative expression with inner reflection, inspiration and useful creative skills which help participants become confident with continuing their own creative spiritual journaling practice outside the 'Afternoons of Art'.

This creative space is for adult learners, including

older teens and will be meeting on a monthly basis.

Please use the booking look to secure your place or visit our website nbunitng.org.au

https://www.trybooking.com/CUROM

For More Info comms@nbuniting.org.au

You are invited to our annual

BALGOWLAH

# Melbourne Cup Morning Tea



Tuesday 5 Nov from 10am Balgowlah Uniting Church 122 Condamine St

Dust off your fanciest, favourite, funniest, biggest or tinniest hat ... lots of prizes to win.

We will have sweeps come along and bring a friend

# Please help me help Lifeline (again! ©)





#### Howdy Friends and Members of Balgowlah Uniting Church!!

As most of you know, I have been fundraising for Lifeline for several years now as part of a surf team in the Lifeline Classic surf comp. I have had some great support from BUC members and friends in the past so thank you again for your previous support of Lifeline.

Many in our community are feeling the pressures of rising costs of living and increased rents. These problems typically impact those on lower incomes, younger adults, households with children, and people with disabilities. Lifeline Northern Beaches helps all in need via stress-relieving counselling services, aged care companionship and answering over 1,000,000 crisis calls to date! These services educate, reduce drivers of distress & deliver crisis support.

If you are in a position to help fund Lifeline's community services, now is the time! Please be as generous as you are able as the need is significant. Every dollar goes directly to Lifeline's services on the Northern Beaches.

You can donate anonymously if you wish.

#### All donations are tax deductible!

You can donate to my fundraising page via the QR code above.

If you would rather pay by cheque or cash, please see me or Rev Trish at the next service!

Thank you so much for your consideration and support. Bruce



Don't forget next week is our cake stall at Bunnings Balgowlah Saturday 26 October, where we are looking for baked goodies to sell, like cakes, slices, muffins, chocolate crackles, cup cakes, cookies.

All enquiries to David Vaealiki on 0437 220 318, baked goods to be dropped into Bunnings Balgowlah on Saturday 26 October 8 - 9.30am.

# **Cromer**



Our next one is Sunday 28 October



# **NBUC Preaching Roster**

Balgowlah @ 9.30am: Rev. Trish Rooney Cromer @ 9am: Michaela Antill-Cassie Freshwater @ 9am: Rev. Alfred Palu

# **Prayer Requests**

Please continue to keep Peter Worland, Peter Grogan, Ron Cooper, Jean Aldren, Ian Lovelace, John Bennett, Heather Peterson, Marjory and Derek Gallagher, Ruth Jackson, Trish Byrne, Ailsa Nixon, Peggy Mathys and Barbara Easton in your thoughts and prayers.

Prayers for all families in our community.

Continue prayers for Florida after their recent hurricanes.

Continued prayers for the elderly in our lives and community.

Continued prayers for the family and friends of those killed in the car crash near Dubbo.

Continued prayers for a safe and happy school holidays for all.

Continued prayers for all Year 12 students for their upcoming HSC exams.

Continued prayers for all in our community with health issues and undergoing medical treatment.

Continued prayers for all in our NBUC community, our sites and our mission, ministry and activities.

# **NBUC** Activities

### **Mondays**

Little Footsteps Playgroup @ 9.30am @ Balgowlah

# **Tuesdays**

Cromer Craft @ 9.30am @ Cromer

School for seniors @ 9.30am @ Balgowlah

Crumbs Small Group @ 7pm (online)

#### **Fridays**

Youth Group @ 4pm @ Freshwater (fortnightly)