



Reflecting God's Love in Community

BALGOWLAH CROMER FRESHWATER

Welcome to Worship Connections



Sunday 6 April 2025

This week's Lectionary reading

Lent 5: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126; Phil 3:4b-14; Jn 12:1-8

Next week's Lectionary reading

Palm Sunday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 118:1-2, 19-29; Phil 2:5-11; Lk 19:28-40

In our Region Ministry

FINDING A WAY IN THE WILDERNESS – LENT 5



As our Lenten journey concludes and Jerusalem comes into view, Isaiah's promise of a path through the wilderness and Mary's act of anointing Jesus' feet invite us to embrace the paradox of hope and sacrifice.

Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126,
Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8

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EASTER SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE 17 APRIL

NBUC @ Balgowlah @ 6pm

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 18 APRIL

NBUC @ Cromer @ 9am

NBUC @ Balgowlah @ 9.30am

EASTER SUNDAY 20 APRIL

Freshwater Sunrise Service @ McKillop Park @ 6.30am

NBUC @ Cromer Service @ 9am

NBUC @ Freshwater @ 9am

NBUC @ Balgowlah Service @ 9.30am



**Little
Footsteps**

Playgroup Coordinator

If you or anyone you know would be interested in our Playgroup Coordinator role, it is part time (10 hours per week), and a great opportunity to meet with families and carers in our community. For more details or a copy of the Position Description and Job Tasks, please email Steph at comms@nbuniting.org.au

CROMER PIANIST NEEDED

We are still seeking an organist to play at our weekly worship service on Sundays @ 9am.

If you are able to assist, please contact Barbara Williamson on 0416089708.



Coming up events ...

Virtual Town Halls

The Presbytery Project

Future of Presbyteries

This week was the start of the information sessions to help prepare for the Synod meeting in July 2025. There are still information session available, please use this [LINK](#) to book your space.



AFTERNOON OF MUSIC

Come join us to play, sing or listen to music. All levels, genres and instruments welcome, a piano is provided. If you need backing tracks, a sound systems available.

Light refreshments are provided.

FREE ADMISSION

SATURDAY 12 APRIL, 4 - 5PM
NBUC @ BALGOWLAH, 122 CONDOMINE ST

All enquiries contact Jeremy
jeremykoay@hotmail.com or 0416 015 152

AFTERNOON OF ART

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

Join our 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 of 'Afternoons of Art'.

This monthly creative space is for adult learners, including older teens.

Please use the booking link to secure your place or visit our website www.nbuniting.org.au

Maundy Thursday Service of Reflection

Dinner and
Holy Communion

Thursday 17th April
at 6pm
Balgowlah
Uniting Church

RSVP by Monday 14th April to
revtrish@nbuniting.org.au
for catering purposes

Please advise of any
dietary requirements



Church@5 ✨

Evening Service

First Sunday of every month

5 PM

**Northern Beaches
Uniting Church @Balgowlah**

122 Condamine St
Balgowlah

LENT BIBLE STUDY

Don't forget our bible study has 2 more weeks to go. Join us as we get to know some of the people who encountered Jesus at a point in their lives, either through curiosity or need, and the effect that encounter had on their lives.

Wednesdays @ 10am (morning tea provided)

Balgowlah Uniting Church, 122 Condamine St

Wednesday 9 April

Wednesday 16 April



NORTHERN BEACHES
Women's Shelter

Mother's Day Initiative for NB Women's Shelter

For the past few years, we have purchased and donated dressing gowns for the women at the NBWS. I contacted the Shelter last week to see if this was still appropriate. The overall comment was the women don't get to have the little luxury items/experiences so it was suggested either vouchers for a facial/manicure/pedicure/foot massage, a lunch at a café so they can go somewhere for a special meal in either the Manly or Mona Vale areas.

Anne Cohen will be assisting in the coordination of this as I will be away until after Mother's Day this year. At Balgowlah, any financial offerings at our Communion Services in April and May will be used to purchase some of the suggested items. Please contact Anne on annecohen14@gmail.com if you are able to assist in approaching businesses for a donation. *Many thanks. Jane*

Think Communion

Think Community

Freshwater



YOUTH GROUP

OUR YOUTH ENCOURAGES OUR COMMUNITY TO STEP UP FOR YOUTH. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US WE WILL BE ENJOYING GAMES AND SHARING A MEAL TOGETHER.

**FRIDAYS
FORTNIGHTLY
@ 3.30PM**

FRESHWATER UNTING CHURCH
16 MARMORA ST

All inquiries email Amelia
ameliap2706@gmail.com

Next one this Friday 4 April

Cromer



CROMER WORKING BEE
SATURDAY 5 APRIL from 9am

The weather is in our favour this Saturday, join us in the garden to prepare our gardens for winter.

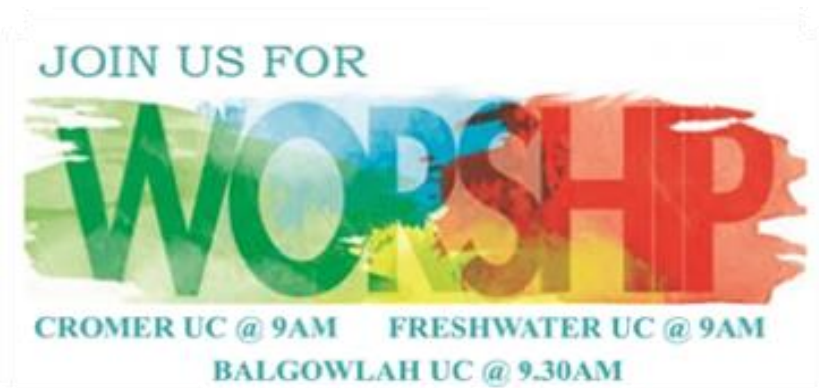


AUSTRALIA'S
Biggest Morning Tea

Cromer Craft are hosting their a biggest morning tea again this year with special guest Shawn Richardson, Firefighter.

Come along and bring your husband, a friend and a donation 😊

Tuesday 6 May @ 10.30am
Cromer Uniting Church
20 Carrington Ave



NBUC Preaching Roster

Sunday 6 April

Balgowlah: 9.30am Four Ingredients of a Healthy Church - Rev Keith Garner, Chairperson, SCCP (HC)
5pm Come as you are - Rev. Trish Rooney (HC)

Cromer: Marilyn Goff (HC)

Freshwater: Rev Sisilia Tupou-Thomas (HC)

Prayer Requests

Please continue to keep Barbara Easton, the Palu Family, Ted West, Peter Stevenson, Win Garland, Margaret Rees, Jean Aldren, Ian Lovelace, John Bennett, Heather Peterson, Trish Byrne, Ailsa Nixon and Peggy Mathys in your thoughts and prayers.

Prayers for all in flooded areas of NSW and QLD.

Prayers for Tonga and Myanmar surrounding areas after their recent earthquake.

Prayers for all who have been affected by the recent earthquake.

Prayer for the Northern Beaches Women's Shelter.

Prayers for all in our community affected by living costs.

Continued prayers for peace and harmony.

Continued prayers for all through Lent.

Continued prayers for our sites and their activities.

Continued prayers for our NBUC community.

NBUC Activities

You are welcome to join us at any of our activities below, for more information on any activity please email comms@nbuniting.org.au

Mondays

Little Footsteps Playgroup @ 9.30am @ NBUC Balgowlah (last week for term)

Life Group (fortnightly) @ 10-11.15am @ NBUC Cromer next one is 7 April

Tuesdays

Cromer Craft @ 9.30pm @ NBUC Cromer (last week for term)

School for seniors @ 9.30am @ NBUC Balgowlah (last week for term)

Crumbs Small Group @ 7pm (online)

Fridays

Cromer Gentle Exercises @ 9.30am @ NBUC Cromer (last week for term)

Youth Group @ 4pm @ Freshwater (fortnightly) next one is 4 April

Reminder

This Sunday daylight savings ends, and our clocks go back an hour enjoy the sleep in.