

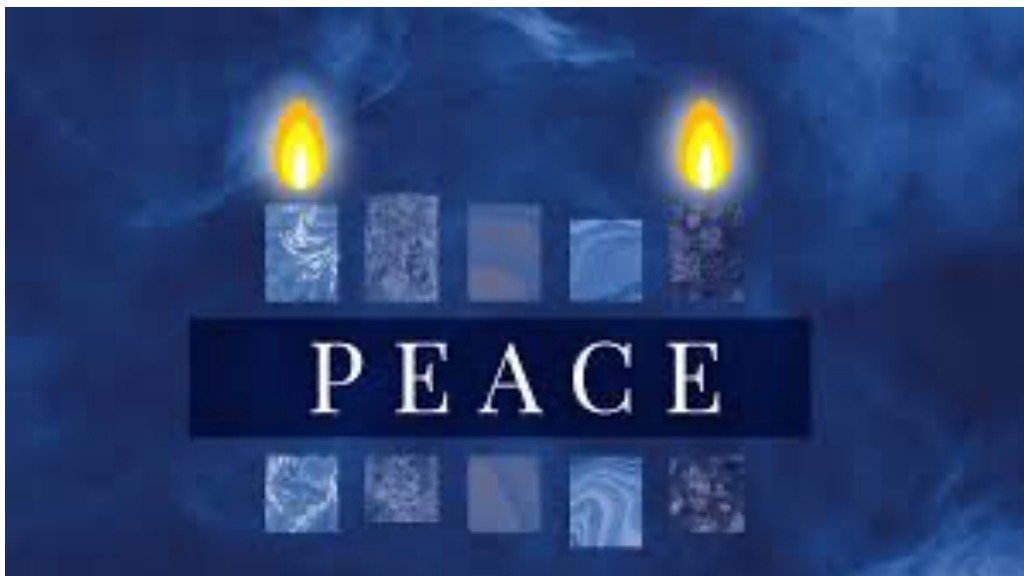


Reflecting God's Love in Community

BALGOWLAH CROMER FRESHWATER

Welcome to Worship

Connections



Sunday 7 December

Lectionary reading

This week

Advent 2: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-7, 18-19; Rom 15:4-13; Mt 3:1-12

Next week

Advent 3: Is 35:1-10; Ps 146:5-10 or Lk 1:46b-55; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

In our Region Ministry

ADVENT WEEK 2

Our society tempts us to long for more in life; more clothes, more toys, more money, more adventure, more experiences.

The readings from Isaiah 11:1–10 and Matthew 3:1–12 encourage us to consider what we really long for.

What are our hopes for our world, our community and our family this Christmas time?

As we anticipate the coming of Jesus into our world, how will Christ's presence in our midst change our longings, our desires, and our actions?



ADVENT SERVICES

You are welcome to join any of our events or services below
full details are on our website nbuniting.org.au

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| Sat 6 Dec | Afternoon of Music @ 4pm @ NBUC Balgowlah |
| Tues 9 Dec | School for Seniors Christmas Lunch @ 9.30am @ NBUC Balgowlah |
| Sun 14 Dec | Carol Singing for Wesley Heights @ 11.30am @ Wesley Heights |
| Wed 17 Dec | Cromer Carols @ 5.30pm @ NBUC Cromer |
| Sun 21 Dec | Worship Service @ 9am @ Cromer and Freshwater |
| Sun 21 Dec | Family Christmas Service @ 9.30am @ NBUC Balgowlah |
| Thurs 25 Dec | NBUC Christmas Day Worship Services @ 9am
@ Cromer, Freshwater & Balgowlah |



Coming up events

The poster for 'An Afternoon of Music' features a light blue background with musical notes and confetti. On the left, there is a partial illustration of an acoustic guitar. The title 'An Afternoon of Music' is in large, bold, dark blue letters. Below the title, a yellow box contains text about the event. To the right, a green box shows the date 'DEC 6' and a yellow box shows the time 'Saturday 4-5pm' and 'Free admission'. The venue information is in the center, and contact details are at the bottom left. An illustration of three people playing instruments is at the bottom right.

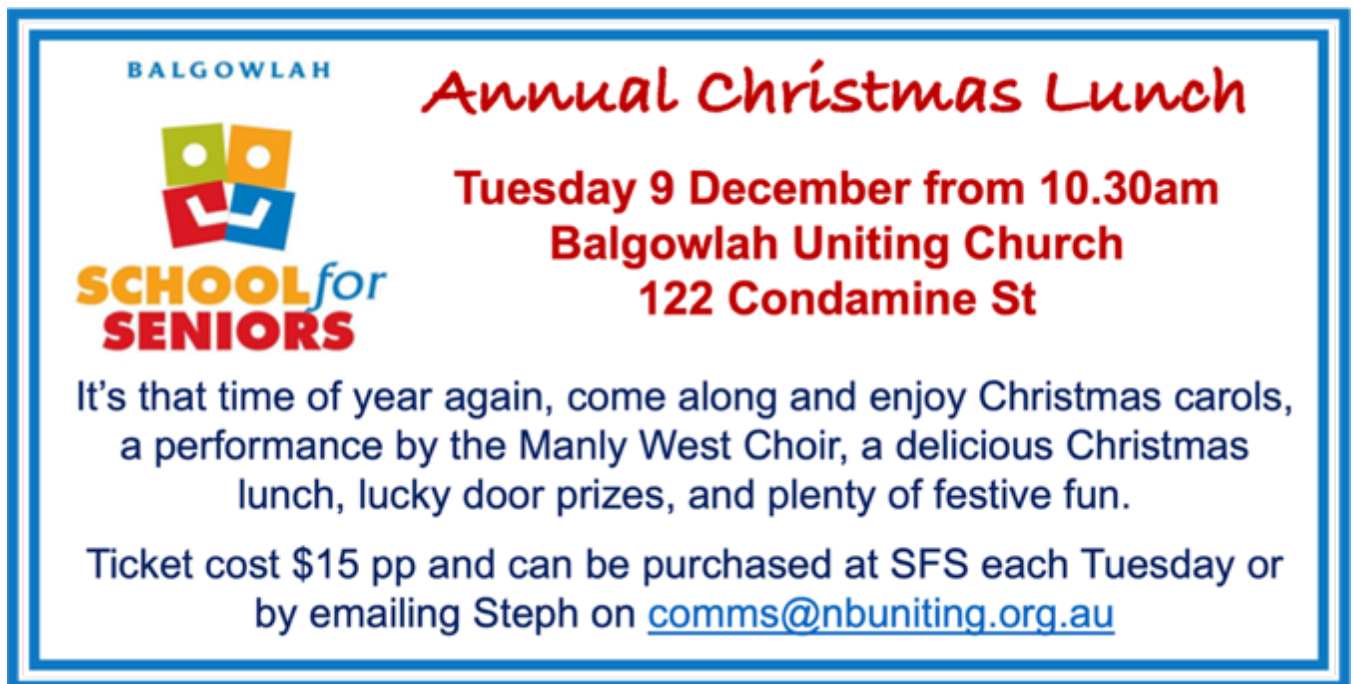
An Afternoon of Music

Come along to play a piece or sing a song of your choice at a friendly neighbourhood event. You are welcome to use the piano at the venue. For other instruments, BYO. Join us for a simple Christmas potluck.

DEC 6 Saturday 4-5pm
Free admission

Northern Beaches Uniting Church
122 Condamine Street
@Balgowlah

FOR MORE INFO
jeremykoay@hotmail.com

The poster for the 'Annual Christmas Lunch' has a white background with a blue border. It features the 'BALGOWLAH' logo and the 'SCHOOL for SENIORS' logo on the left. The event details are in red text on the right. A paragraph of text describes the event, and ticket information is at the bottom.

BALGOWLAH

Annual Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 9 December from 10.30am
Balgowlah Uniting Church
122 Condamine St

It's that time of year again, come along and enjoy Christmas carols, a performance by the Manly West Choir, a delicious Christmas lunch, lucky door prizes, and plenty of festive fun.

Ticket cost \$15 pp and can be purchased at SFS each Tuesday or by emailing Steph on comms@nbuniting.org.au



PLEASE JOIN US FOR

CROMER CHRISTMAS CAROLS

WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER @ 5.30PM
FOLLOWED BY A BBQ
20 CARRINGTON AVE, CROMER

LET'S SPREAD LOVE.



Join us for a

Family Christmas Service

Sunday 21st
December

9.30am

Balgowlah
Uniting Church

Freshwater

Congratulations to Rachel and Tom following the arrival of their son Jesse on Wednesday 26 November. Both mum n Bub are doing well 🙏❤️

Rachel is Kaye and Tony Lewis' daughter, and Jesse is their sixth grandchild, 2 girls and 4 boys.



WRAPS WITH LOVE

Our year ended with 13 rugs being sent to the depot this week, making a total of 123 for the year.

Many rugs were waiting to be able to be sent to Ukraine and many were being given to Australian charities as Christmas presents. It has been a very productive year knitters, spreading love and warmth around the world.

God's blessings on each of you



ONE MEAL
IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE



One Meal hampers.

We, with the help of our local childcare center, Employer and Development Freshwater, who donated even boxes and three shopping bags full of food for the One Meal hampers, to provide food relief to those people in need in our area.

Well done everyone, every item will be appreciated by those in need, not only of food, but knowing someone, somewhere cares for them.

Enjoy your Christmas

Balgowlah

Think Communion

Think Community



NORTHERN BEACHES
Women's Shelter

We've had a wonderful year supporting the Northern Beaches Women's Shelter. This Sunday at Communion, we will once again be donating supermarket gift vouchers to help the shelter over the Christmas season.

Thank you all for your generosity and support throughout the year.

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It's not too late if you would like to join the carol singing Wesley Heights Residential Care. We would love you to join us in carol singing.

Please email Rev. Trish on revtrish@nbuniting.org.au by Sunday 7 December.

When: Sunday 14 December from 11.30-12.15pm

**Where: Wesley Heights Residential Aged Care,
7 Birkley Rd, Manly**

Community Event



Lifeline
Northern Beaches

Giant Book Fair

11-14 December @ St Augustine's College, Brookvale

Come along there will be lots of books, puzzles, lego, games and more.

Full details please visit their website www.lifelinenb.org.au

JOIN US FOR



CROMER UC @ 9AM FRESHWATER UC @ 9AM
BALGOWLAH UC @ 9.30AM

NBUC Preaching Roster

Sunday 7 December

Balgowlah: Rev. Trish Rooney and Rev. Ben Gilmour with Holy Communion

Cromer: Marilyn Goff

Freshwater: Rev Sisilia Tupou-Thomas (HC)

Prayer Requests

Please continue to keep Helen Hocking, Mary Carroll, Carol Richardson, Peter Grogan, Derek Gallagher, Barbara Easton, Ted West, Peter Stevenson, Win Garland, Margaret Rees, Heather Peterson, Trish Byrne, Ailsa Nixon and Peggy Mathys in your prayers and thoughts.

Prayers for all who have lost someone, especially with Christmas coming up.

Prayers for all school children as the holidays are fast approaching.

Prayers for all who are preparing to spend Christmas alone.

Continued prayers for all our sites during Advent.

Continued prayers for all who are unwell or undergoing medical treatment in our church and community.

Continued prayers for the homeless.

Continued prayers for P E A C E on earth.

Continued prayers for our NBUC community, sites and activities.

NBUC Weekly 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

Tuesdays

Cromer Craft @ 9.30pm @ NBUC Cromer

School for seniors @ 9.30am @ NBUC Balgowlah

Crumbs Small Group @ 7pm (online)

Fridays

Cromer Gentle Exercises @ 9.30am @ NBUC Cromer