



*Transforming lives
through helping people
connect with Jesus
Christ*

August 2018

DREAMS THAT NEVER DIE



“Here comes that dreamer!” they said to each other.” (Genesis 37:19 NIV)

Have you ever had a vivid dream? Perhaps it encouraged you? Maybe it scared you?

Dreams have fascinated humanity for millennia.

The musical, “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”, popularised the life of Joseph, son of Jacob (Israel). The story begins with a dream. What follows is a nightmare of jealousy, family division, murderous intentions, human trafficking, grief and injustice. Joseph’s dream seems both arrogant and unattainable.

Sometimes our dreams fall flat. When our hopes and dreams are blocked or shattered we can become disillusioned, depressed and even bitter.

I’m sure that Joseph didn’t anticipate God’s timing or strategy for fulfilling his dreams. Along the way it looked like all hope was gone and his life was over. There were plenty of “downs” before there were any “ups”. But ultimately God brought restoration and reconciliation to a fractured family and redemption to a nation on the brink of disaster. I invite you to join me in learning from the life of Joseph as we begin a new series on Genesis 37-50.

God inspired dreams never die, but they are seldom fulfilled in the ways we expect. This is in part because we “see dimly and know partially” (1 Corinthians 13:9-12). It is also because God’s agenda is never just about fulfilling our dreams but also about forming us in the image of his Son. (Romans 8:28-29)

Martin Luther King Jr’s “I have a dream” speech inspired millions to work for racial harmony and equality, even though he didn’t live to see its fulfilment. God invites us to partner with him in seeking the fulfilment of his redemptive purposes in our lives and world.

What dreams have you given up on?

Peter Wilson

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newly Elected Church Councillors:

Congratulations to the following people who were elected by congregations on the 29th July as Church Councillors. The terms they were elected for is shown next to their name:

Dennis Astill	2 years	Leigh Daniels	1 year
Linda Ebeling	2 years	Dan Elliott	1 year
Cameron Ferris	2 years	Joshua Grant	1 year
Gary Ireland	1 year	Tim Jansen	3 years
Kathy Key	3 years	Heather Loomes	3 years
Janelle Powter	2 years		

Peter Wilson represents our Staff Leadership team on Church Council, making a total of 12 on our Church Council. Our thanks to all these people! They will be set apart for this role in services on the 12th August.

Pastoral Carers:

In a break from past procedure, we will no longer elect Pastoral Elders but instead affirm those who are involved in providing pastoral care for people in each of our services. The following people will be affirmed in the role of Pastoral Carer in each of our services on Sunday the 12th August.

8am: Linda Eagles, Clive Ford, Alan and Jeanette Redman, Pam Stephenson, Julie Willis

9.30am: Val Astill, Earl Biffen, Lyn Dench, Kristy Lee Ferris, Joly Hordern, Judy McKeown, Lauren McKnight, Nola Norris, Ruth Waters

5.30pm: Matt Lane, Ben and Kristen Stevens

We pray God's blessing on these people as they seek to care for others at CUC.

The Prayer Chain

The CUC Prayer Chain is made up of a dedicated team of prayer warriors. If you have a need for support through prayer for any circumstance please contact one of our convenors.

Maureen Drinnan 4651 2531

Pam Stephenson 4657 1227

PREACHING PLAN - August

DATE	8am	9.30am	5.30pm
5 August	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION
12 August	Rev Peter Wilson	Rev Peter Wilson	Rev Peter Wilson
19 August	C. McKerral	C. McKerral	C. McKerral
26 August	Rev Peter Wilson	Rev Peter Wilson	E. McKerral
2 Sept	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION	Rev Peter Wilson HOLY COMMUNION

ONLINE GIVING

If you would like to commence doing your tithing online we have 2 methods you can use.

1. Giving into our Main Account or 2. Giving Direct Account

The Giving Direct account is set up by Uniting Financial and each giver is allocated a number so as to remain anonymous in their tithing. Giving into our Main Account is managed by you so is therefore more flexible but unlike the Giving Direct it isn't always anonymous. Forms for the Giving Direct are at The Hub or our main account details are:

BSB: 634-634

ACC: 100026652

NAME: Camden Uniting Church Main A/C

REFERENCE: **Tithe or offering** (this is essential so we can allocate deposits)

If you would prefer to receive offering envelopes every quarter to be regular in your tithing to the church and missionaries then please contact Mel in the office and we will add you to the list, in the meantime spare envelopes can be sourced at the Hub. Any enquiries please contact the office during business hours.

EVENTS CALENDAR

August 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9.30am Fingerprints Playgroup 7.30pm Hutchings Info Night	2 10am Ladies Church Aid	3 4.30pm Kidz Connect 7.00pm CUC Youth	4
5 Church Services 8am 9.30am 5.30pm Hutchings Commission- ing Service	6 9.30am Fingerprints Playgroup	7	8 9.30am Fingerprints Playgroup	9	10 7.00pm CUC Youth	11
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19 Church Services 8am 9.30am 5.30pm	20 9.30am Fingerprints Playgroup 7pm LEF	21	22 9.30am Fingerprints Playgroup	23 Taree Trip 3	24 7.00pm CUC Youth	25
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September 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Upcoming Events:

Morning Tea Fellowship

14th August/10am- Meets at the home of John and Maureen. Please RSVP to Sue Daniels 0401396761.

Property Committee Meeting-

14th August/7.30pm—Join us for our next meeting in the activity centre. New members are always welcome.

Basecamp– Katoomba Men’s Convention-

17th & 18th August

Cost: 155 per person-Includes accommodation and breaky on Sat Morning

Times: Friday 7pm till 8.30pm & Saturday 9am till 3pm

This Years Theme: Not of this World

For more information, please see or call Andrew Key 0425336835

Extra-Ordinary Congregational Meetings will be held after ALL services on Sunday 19th of August.

This meeting is to discuss CUC’s response to the recent UCA Assembly decision. Please pray for wisdom relating this matter and plan to join us at the meeting.

Ladies Evening Fellowship-

20th August/7pm—All ladies are most welcome to attend and hear Nola Norris speak about her personal experience with Asperger Syndrome and the learning characteristics of gifted students with AS. Based on Genesis 50:20 and titled “Life’s Challenges and God’s Goodness”, Nola’s engaging style and personal insight, is not to be missed.

NEWS

8am Service Prayer Request-

If you have any prayers need and would like to be included on the prayer list handed out at the 8am service then please contact Sue Daniels by Thursday each week. The list is for everyone to offer prayer to our Lord for His answer, so let's get on board!

Help Needed

9.30am Stewards-

We are in need of extra people to be on the roster for our 9.30am service to be a part of our stewards team. Please speak to Earl Biffin to find our more or you can email him eham6@bigpond.com

Care Program

Co-ordinator required-

We are seeking a person who could take over the co-ordination of the team of volunteers to get a meal to those in need. If that could be you or for more information on the role please speak to Heather Loomes 0408 580619.

KIDS CHURCH

Leaders/Helpers-

We are seeking volunteers for this rewarding ministry with our children. If you feel God is calling you in 2018 to serve in this way please contact Peter Wilson to arrange a time to chat further.

Email: pwilson@camdenuniting.org.au or see him after the service.

Fingerprints playgroup helper-

We are seeking a volunteer to join our Monday Playgroup helpers from 9am-11:30am. Please Contact Mel by phone or email for more information. mtasker@camdenuniting.org.au or 0410035300.

Home Needed

Looking for some companionship? Enid is looking for a home for a Beautiful, young male cat. He is a black and white, neutered, indoor cat. Please call Enid on 4655 1594 for more information.

More News

WOLLONDILLY PEOPLE'S PRAISE

Sunday 26th of August

Blow Away the Winter Blues— Join us for an afternoon of praise and worship as we sing your favourite hymns from the Billy Graham Crusades. Relive Sunday School days as we sing selected action choruses.

Singing commences at 2:30, at the conclusion, join us for a cuppa and fellowship.

St Marks Anglican Church, Menangle West Street, Picton.

Enquires: 0423640307

Hutchings Support- With recyclables

THANK YOU for donating cans & bottles towards the Hutchings' Helicopter fees, over \$300 has been raised so far.

Please continue to collect and leave in the BBQ area of the church.

However, unfortunately white milk bottles and used food cans are not refundable.

Enquiries for this to Sue Daniels.

Notice-

Sue Daniels will be on holidays from August 20th—August 31st.

TREASURERS REPORT

FY 2018/19	BUDGET	ACTUAL	SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)
July 2018	\$28,061	\$26,755	-\$1,306

Give thanks for:

- ◆ The passing of 2019 budget and the support of our members in attending and participating in the budget process

Please pray for:

- ◆ Your personal ongoing commitment to our new budget and ministry opportunities of our church
- ◆ Our new administration and communications officer, Melissa Tasker, as she settles in to her new role

Kathy Key, Treasurer

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OUR MINISTRY TEAM:

Senior Pastor:

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Staff Team Leaders:

8am Community

Sue Daniels 4653 1416 or 0401 396761
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9.30am Community & Kids Church

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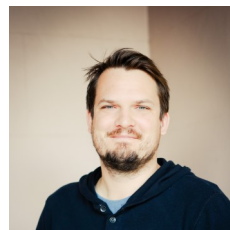
5.30pm Community

Ps Erin McKerral Mobile: 0408 580804
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Youth Community

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Fingerprints Playgroup Coordinator Administration and Communications Officer

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