



Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove,
Uniting Church in Australia

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today.
God's richest blessings to you all.

SERVICES TODAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

5.00pm Barwon Heads
Contemporary Service
"4R Thrive Together"

10.30.00am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
"4R Thrive Together" in the church hall.

May 28th Reconciliation Sunday

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 5) Acts 7: 55-60, Psalm 31: 1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2: 2-10, John 14: 1-14

NEXT WEEK (Easter 6) Acts 17: 22-31, Psalm 66: 8-20
1 Peter 3: 13-22, John 14: 15-21

KEY VERSE

**"Into your hands, I commit my spirit; redeem me, O Lord, the God
of truth."**

Psalm 31: 5

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oguc107@gmail.com or phone 5256 2477 and leave a message.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like prayer through the week, to activate the prayer chain, please contact Fay on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

EAST AFRICA FAMINE EMERGENCY APPEAL envelopes are in the pews. If you wish to donate in cash, please place your donation in the appeal envelope and put it in the Sunday offering bowl and our Treasurer will pass it on. If donating by cheque or credit card you may prefer to send it direct as per instructions in the leaflet. The need is great. This is the first time famine has been declared anywhere in the world in the last six years. Your gift could provide lifesaving food, water and much needed supplies to families dying from starvation. Please help as you are able.

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD is a daily Bible reading guide which includes Bible passages to be used in each Sunday's worship services. There is approximately 20 lines of reflection on each day's passage. Free sample copies of the current issue (May 8—August 6th for the season of Pentecost) are available in the church porch. Please borrow a copy to see if you wish to use this valuable resource. Talk to Greg Carruthers or Margaret Parry if you want to order your own copy in the future.

OUR LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP will meet next Wednesday at 1.30pm and look forward to Faye McLean's leadership.

**All welcome to morning tea
in the Church Hall after the service.**

**PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING
TUESDAY MAY 16TH
4.00PM IN THE OCEAN GROVE CHURCH FOYER.**

Sunday May 28th
St Andrew's Uniting Church Portarlington
12.30pm Authentic Iraqi buffet style 2 course meal.
Prepared, cooked and served by Siham and Abdul

Guest speaker—Mohammed Isah
From Lentara UnitingCare Asylum Seeker Program
Cost \$25.00 per head.

Places will be limited so get in early
Prior bookings essential
Call Marilyn Bertram 5251 1102 or Joy Porter 5291 8177

Profits to Lentara UnitingCare Asylum Seeker Project.

"Bird of my Soul"

Exhibition and sale of Artworks
June 2nd 7.00—10.00pm
June 3rd & 4th 10.00am—5.00pm
Wesley Church Hall

100 Yarra Street Geelong
All proceeds towards legal support for people seeking asylum.
Presented by Wesley Welcome Centre
Enquires 0407 013 428

"RECYCLED TREASURES" SALE SATURDAY MAY THE 20th AT THE "TAJ"

Ocean Grove Uniting Church
8.00am—12noon
and

SUPER SATURDAY CLOTHING SALE

In the church hall from 10.00am—1.00pm
All clothing from *the dove* and nothing over \$2.00

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS
FOR NEIL DERRICK
ngderrick39@gmail.com

Please ensure you change his details on your contact list and
remove his landline phone number.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: From now until the end of May/June we will be raising money to support the building of a new Mapoon Church on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula. Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Lenten Appeal a cheque for \$908.15 has been sent.

PRAYER CONTACT: If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487

FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT Drop in for a tea/coffee, biscuit or two, a chat and always a good laugh. Stay for 5 minutes or an hour if you like. All are welcome

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY : If you are wondering how you might support the work of our food pantry tins of crushed tomatoes, sweet corn kernels and baked beans would be greatly appreciated by the many people who come seeking our assistance.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES: In order for small maintenance issues to be addressed there is now a request sheet on the noticeboard. If you see or find something that needs addressing around the church please complete the required details and the Property Committee will attend to the problem as soon as possible.

CAN YOU REMEMBER WHAT WE WERE ALL DOING LAST MAY? We were using our "talents" as part of our yearly fundraising efforts. It was such a success that the Fundraising Committee feel it is worthy trying again. So come on all you talented people, make those craft items, "stir" up those jams, pickles and chutneys, bake some more of those delicious cakes, biscuits and pies, or get creative with your own ideas. There will be a table in the foyer of the church each Sunday for you to sell your goods, and if you want to, there is the opportunity to sell at the next "Recycled Treasures" sale on Saturday May the 20th. Maybe we could have some "buskers" or someone may like to sell some plants etc. at this already well supported fundraiser. If you are intending to be at there on May the 20th, please let either Neil Derrick, Jean Konings, Dianne Sapwell, Robert Quarrell or Judy Greer know so that a suitable area and table/s are ready for you.

ROBIN MUNRO & VELDA WILLIS have a new phone number It is 4202 0323. please change their details in your directory.

UCAF NEWS: The next meeting will be held on Monday the 22nd of May. Please bring some scissors as we will be trimming stamps for Sammy Stamp. Also Robyn Clark will entertain us on the keyboard for Talent Month so remember to bring a donation for the plate to thank her.

GEELONG CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP APPEAL are available in the foyer if you would like to make a personal donation.