



# 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  
Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove  
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Holy Communion

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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10.30.00am Ocean Grove  
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May 13th World Fair Trade Day  
May 28th Reconciliation Sunday

## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 4) Acts 2: 42-47, Psalm 23  
1 Peter 2: 19-25, John 10: 1-10

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

## KEY VERSE

**"I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved."  
John 10: 9**

## **BARWON HEADS NEWS**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email [oguc107@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**ON SUNDAY MAY THE 7TH,** the combined Churches of Barwon Heads (Anglican, Catholic and Uniting) invite us to an Easter Festival of Readings and Music to be held at All Saints Anglican Church at 7.00pm. These Combined Church worship occasions are always stimulating and worthwhile and we encourage our members to share the fellowship of this occasion.

**WHEN OUR LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP** met last Wednesday we were entertained by Jeanette's talk on God's wonderful creation of our world. We read several passages from Genesis, and listened to, and sang some beautiful appropriate hymns. Our new member, Lois, spoke about her lovely garden, before we enjoyed a cuppa, afternoon tea, and a chat.

**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.

**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.**

## **OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH CRAFT GROUP**

### **BIGGEST MORNING TEA**

**THURSDAY MAY THE 11TH 10.00AM**

**OCEAN GROVE CHURCH HALL**

**\$5.00 donation includes morning tea, and lucky door prize  
Proceeds to support the Cancer Council**

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.

**“RECYCLED TREASURES” SALE  
SATURDAY MAY THE 21ST  
AT THE “TAJ”**

Ocean Grove Uniting Church  
8.00am—12noon

and then every 3rd Saturday of the month  
New stock arriving each month!

**NEW EMAIL ADDRESS  
FOR NEIL DERRICK  
ngderrick39@gmail.com**

Please ensure you change his details on your contact list.

**PARISH MISSION TEAM  
WILL MEET ON  
WEDNESDAY MAY THE 10TH  
7.00PM IN THE OCEAN GROVE CHURCH FOYER.**

## 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 the result will be published shortly.

**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.

**MAY MEETINGS:** Property Committee Monday May the 8th 7.30pm and Elders Thursday May the 11th 10.00am. Both meetings held in the church foyer.

## GREETINGS

*Joan Billington has just recently been to the Kangaroo Flat Uniting Church. Along with a "Peace Candle" they extend to us all prayers, greetings and blessings.*