



Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove,
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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

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SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

5.00pm Barwon Heads

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

4R Thrive Together

10.30.00am Ocean Grove

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

4R Thrive Together in the church hall

July 30th International Day of Friendship

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 5) Genesis 24: 34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Psalm 45: 10-17 or Song 2: 8-13, Romans 7: 15-25a,

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 6) Genesis 25: 19-34, Psalm 119: 105-112

Romans 8: 1-11, Matthew 13: 1-19, 18-23

KEY VERSE

“Come to me all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11: 28

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.

OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP next meetings will be on Wednesday July the 19th and the 2nd of August. Please join us for a time of devotion, a cuppa and a chat from 1.30pm—2.30pm in the Vestry.

SAMMY STAMP GROUP: The next meeting will be in the church hall on Wednesday the 26th of July from 1.30pm—3.30pm.

UNITING is the new name for the Community Services arm of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania. UNITING brings together 24 agencies previously known as UnitingCare or Wesley Mission Victoria, and also SHARE. On 1st July 2017 when 24 community services agencies came together UNITING had 3500 employees and 3,500 volunteers making UNITING one of the largest community service organisations in Victoria and Tasmania, with SHARE as a fundraising organisation to assist UNITING agencies to support people in crisis or experiencing disadvantage. SHARE asks for our continuing support to enable UNITING to make a difference in people's lives and provide help for those who have nowhere else to turn.

THE SHARE WINTER APPEAL brochure is in the pews. With recent bitterly cold weather now is the time to make the effort to donate money to assist with food hampers and supermarket vouchers, winter clothing, warm blankets, petrol vouchers, and school uniforms/shoes. Please read the brochure with its theme "All it takes is one crisis for your life to unravel!" and respond as you are able.

BARWON HEADS COMBINED CHURCHES meet twice each year to share news of their activities and plan anything they wish to do together as Combined Churches (Anglican, Catholic and Uniting). The next meeting will be held in our Vestry on Tuesday August the 8th, 4.00pm with ourselves as hosts. Please let Ian Cover or Margaret Parry know if you are interested and available. The meeting usually lasts 60-75 minutes.

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

PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING
TUESDAY JULY 11TH
4.00PM
IN THE FOYER OF THE OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH.

ACT FOR PEACE 2017 RATION CHALLENGE

Thank you from ACT FOR PEACE and JOAN CLACUTT
Together we have raised almost \$2,000.00 toward food rations, medicines and relief for refugees and famine victims.
Thank you for your amazing support and encouragement by sponsoring Joan in the 2017 Ration Challenge.
The total raised to date is over \$3,000,000.00
God bless you for your compassion.

*To my church family,
I wish to sincerely thank everyone for their cards,
flowers, phone calls and support, not only over the past two weeks, but also during the past six and a half years that Jack was in care.
God's blessings to you all.
Olive Marshman and Family.*

FILM NIGHT

Queenscliff/Point Lonsdale Oxfam Group
Presents "Lion"
Wednesday July 19th 7.30pm
Queenscliff Uniting Church Hall

Donation \$15.00 includes super.
Bar facilities available from 6.30pm

PARISH MISSION TEAM MEETING
Wednesday July the 19th 7.00pm
In the foyer of the Ocean Grove Church

SIGHT TALK—DIANE SPICER, CEO PRISON NETWORK
Come and hear Diane talking about the organisation's work in Victoria's female prisons and how her personal journey led her to working behind bars.
Friday 14th July Door open at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start
Free event (gold coin appreciated)
The Wave Church
Cnr. Wallington Road and Lake Avenue Ocean Grove.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For the months of May and June we have been raising money to support the building of a new Mapoon Church on Queensland's Cape York Peninsula. Thank you to all who have given to this appeal. The amount raised was \$236.15 For July and August our Retiring Offering will be for the Share Winter Appeal. Appeal brochures are available on the table in the foyer.

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. **Please note that this lively group will not meet during school holidays but will resume on Friday July the 21st.**

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY : If you are wondering how you might support the work of our food pantry tins of crushed tomatoes, tins of soup, and packets of rice and pasta would be greatly appreciated by the many people who come seeking our assistance.

PLEASE NOTE that Jong Soo will be on Annual leave from Tuesday July the 18th until Tuesday July the 25th.

GREETINGS from Robert and Barbara Cox: we head off on our 13 day cruise up the coast of Norway to Tromso today (Friday June the 30th), which is 500kms further along the coast from where we cross the Artic Circle. We may be freezing, even if it is summer! We have been warned that wifi access will be limited, so this may be the last email I can send until we regain access with the rest of the world! Weather has been woeful– yesterday poured with rain constantly and where we were it was 10c. Still, this is Scotland even it is Summer. Cheers for now, Robert and Barbara

JULY MEETING: Elders July 13th 10.00am in the church foyer.

CORRECTION OF PHONE NUMBER: Please note that Lorraine Vincent's mobile phone number should be 0419 541 643. please make this correction in your directories.

RECYCLED TREASURES SALE SATURDAY JULY THE 15TH 8.00AM—12NOON.

If you are able to help on the day
please ring Jean Konings on 0447 853 442
Also if you would like to help set up the sale
then this will be happening from 1.00pm
on Friday July the 14th.