



Weekly Newsletter

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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

9.00am Newington
Mr. & Mrs. B. Shaw

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
Holy Communion

9.00am Newington
Ms. Jean Murray

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
Holy Communion

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 6) 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14, Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20
Galatians 5: 1, 13-25, Luke 9: 51-62

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 7) 2 Kings 5: 1-14, Psalm 30
Galatians 6: (1-6), 7-16 Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

KEY VERSE

**"I am the true vine and my Father is the gardener."
John 15: 1**

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oguc@tpg.com.au 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.

UNITING CHURCH LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP is in recess for the school holidays. Marilyn will be speaking at our next get together, which is on July the 20th.

NOLA MARSH is still in Seaviews Manor and a visit from any of us would be appreciated. She has had a setback, with a fall one night, but is battling on.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE was well attended and Frank Costa was an interesting speaker. Afterwards we all enjoyed a home cooked meal together and a social gathering.

BY NEXT SUNDAY we will have voted. Rev. Stuart McMillan, President of the Uniting Church in Australia asks members "to consider your vote through the lens of our faith and the gospel values which compel us all to be engaged in God's mission in the world". Printed information sheets prepared for the National Assembly of the Uniting Church are available in the church hall today on topics such as Climate, Justice, renewable Energy, Taxation reform, Aged Care, Negative Gearing, online Gambling, National Disability Insurance Scheme and Opportunities for Children and Youth.

**All welcome to morning tea
in the church hall after the service.**

Act for Peace Ration Challenge 2016

Thanks from Act for Peace. So far AFP Ration Challenge participants and their sponsors have raised \$1, 695, 164 for Refugee support, showing them we are with them not against them.

Thank you to all my sponsors who have already contributed so generously to my Ration Challenge, at this point I have almost finished the week on refugee rations. This makes me feel very humble and privileged as I can look forward to a change of diet but for the refugees in the camps they only have their simple rations. Your donations can provide more people with food and might even contribute to them having some welcome additions like a small amount of milk powder. I am happy to accept donations (tax deductible) if any folk would like to help raise a little more for this desperate need for the displaced Syrian people and other refugees in our world. NOTE! Email addresses are a means of getting your receipt from Act for Peace very quickly. Otherwise please add your address. Thank you all Joan Calcutt.

A discussion about our Refugees and Asylum Seekers

Tuesday 28th of June 7.00—8.30pm

Barwon Heads Bowling Club.

Bellarine for refugees warmly invite you to attend this free public forum with David Manne, Executive Director of refugee Legal.

RSVP bellarine4r@gmail.com or phone 5254 1814

CARDS, CAKE AND COFFEE!!!

Church members and their friends are cordially invited to a sale of Melbourne Photographer, Eiril Deighton's original cards to be held at the home of Lyn Mulligan, 16 Finch Close Ocean Grove on Saturday July the 9th 9.00am—12noon. 50% of sales will go towards supporting Joan Calcutt in her Act for Peace ration Challenge.

Tasmania Flood Crisis Appeal

The flooding being experienced is considered to be the worst in 50 years and has devastated communities throughout the State. A national disaster has been declared.

If you would like to donate you can call
1800 668 426 or visit www.shareappeal.org.au

INVITATION TO 2 SPECIAL SERVICES OF WORSHIP

The Ocean Grove Uniting Church cordially invites you all to join us on two Sundays in July.

On **Sunday July the 17th**, the Moderator, The Reverend Sharon Hollis will be presenting us with our "Safe Church Certificate". Sharon will also be taking part in the service and staying for morning tea. This is a great opportunity to hear our newly inducted Moderator preach.

Then on **Sunday July the 24th**, the renowned saxophonist Eddie Manion (who has played with Bruce Springsteen) will be performing. Eddie will be in Ocean Grove for a "Light of Day" benefit. The mission of Light of Day is to utilize the power of music to raise money and awareness in the continuing battle to defeat Parkinson's Disease. During the service Eddie will present to the Ocean Grove Community a goodwill letter of proclamation from the Mayor of the Municipality of Neptune that includes the township of Ocean Grove New Jersey. Ocean Grove is home to Australia's only "Light of Day" shows!. For tickets to the three venues, on July the 22nd and 23rd go to trybooking.com for tickets and more information about Eddie can be found at eddiemanion.com Both services will begin at 10.30am.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For June and July we will be supporting the Share Winter Appeal 1st—30th June.

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 Coffee and Chat will be in recess during the school holidays and will resume on Friday 15th of July.**

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY: It's Winter and it's cold and dark—please help us to keep our pantry shelves full with nourishing food! We would appreciate gifts of 1kg bags of rice—if you are able—please bring your contribution to worship next Sunday (July 3rd). Which is Communion Sunday when they will be blessed. With continuing thanks: Loaves and Fishes Pantry team.

THANK YOU: Robyn and Alan Clark wish to thank our Church friends for their flowers, cards and visits at the passing of my dear Mother, Ruth Lugg. Your sympathy, support and kindness was greatly appreciated. Our family will always have many treasured memories of a loving, caring Christian Mother and Nanna.

CHANGE OF PHONE CONTACT: Jean Konings no longer as a landline. She can be contacted by mobile phone only. The number is 0447 853 442

UCAF NEXT MEETING TOMMOROW Monday June the 27th at 10.00am in the church foyer. Speakers Jenny and John Preston. All welcome.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE: The Committee apologises for taking so long to inform you about the fundraising efforts you have all participated in for the 1st six months of this year. But it is our great pleasure to let you know that so far we have all raised \$7, 481.68 clear profit.

Income:

Garage Sale (January) \$2,341.05,

Garage Sale (June) \$1,691.45,

Items sold at other times \$905.63,

Book and Painting Sale \$876.85,

Music Night \$576.00,

Talent Month \$1,503.95.

Expenses total \$413.25

You must all be congratulated on using your talents not only in Talent Month but during the past six months. Whether you have made things, bought things, unpacked things, sold things, your efforts have been greatly appreciated.

Next Fundraising effort "Fashion Parade" Tuesday September 6th. More details later.