



# 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

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## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Transfiguration of Jesus) 2 Kings 2: 1-12, Psalm 50: 1-6  
2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 Mark 9: 2-9

NEXT WEEK (Lent1) Genesis 9: 8-17, Psalm 25: 1-10  
1 Peter 25: 1-10, Mark 1: 9-15

## KEY VERSE

**“as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders  
not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen  
from the dead”**

**Mark 9: 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.

**150th ANNIVERSARY:** We will celebrate 150 years of Christian worship in Barwon Heads in 2018, an occasion which can be marked in many ways. A committee is needed to oversee this significant milestone so please let Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park or Ian Cover know if you would like to be involved.

**LADIES FELLOWSHIP:** Last Wednesday our Ladies Fellowship Group enjoyed our first meeting for 2018. Despite the hot day we had our usual great gathering. Marilyn spoke about her terrible health problems recently, and how she felt the joy of God's presence as she recovered. She also shared another of her beautiful poems. As usual we all enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea, s we chatted together.

**COMBINED CHURCHES MEETING:** We need 6-8 people to represent us at this meeting to be held at Holy Family Catholic Church this coming Tuesday at 4.00pm to share news of our recent Uniting Church activities and consider any future joint projects.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** will be held in our Church on Friday March the 2nd at 2.00pm when the service will be led by Faye MacLean, and Nola White will speak on the theme "All God's Creation is Very Good". The printed Order of Service has been prepared by Christians in Suriname (a small country on the north east coast of South America). Afternoon tea will follow the service. Please take this opportunity to worship with others in our local community and share in this wonderful day of prayer on this day.

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

**SAFE CHURCH TRAINING DAY  
SATURDAY FEBRUARY THE 24TH 2018  
OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH  
2.00PM—4.00PM (at the latest)**

**This training day will be facilitated by  
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park.**

**All members of the Congregations of both Ocean Grove and Barwon Heads, who are involved in Church Council, are an Elder, work with children as Sunday School teachers or music leaders, and anyone else interested in learning what it means to have your church recognised as a “Safe Church” are requested to attend.**

**If you attended the last Training Day held at Ocean Grove you must attend this one, as Synod requests that all people working with children must have their training updated every two years. If you wish to know more then please contact either Jong Soo or Dianne Sapwell.**

**“Lenten Space” for prayer and reflection  
Ocean Grove Uniting Church  
Every Friday (Feb.23rd– March 23rd) 10am—2pm**

**Barwon Heads Uniting Church  
Every Thursday (Feb.22nd—March 22nd)  
10am—1pm  
Music and materials for prayer and reflection will be available.**

**“On the Couch” with Sharelle McMahon  
one of Australia’s all time netball greats  
in conversation with Ian “Coodabeen” Cover**

**Saturday March 17th 7.30pm  
Ocean Grove Uniting Church  
\$20 includes supper  
For Tickets phone  
Neil on 0403 937 427 or  
The church office on 5256 2477**

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** If you would like to support a worthy cause, please speak to an Elder so your idea can be considered.

**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:** Fridays 10.30—11.30am in the church foyer. All are welcome to call in for a coffee/tea and a biscuit or two.

**FEBRUARY MEETINGS: Property Committee meeting Feb. 12th 7.30pm** in the church foyer.

*Hi there, Nell is back and she likes to thank everyone for their best wishes, cards and phone calls.* Well Nell was back at church but she is now back in St John of God Hospital with an Infection. Please pray for both Nell and Hank as they continue to struggle with ongoing health issues.

**UCAF:** Members please note the **next meeting of the UCAF will be on Monday the 19th of February at 10.00am. Please note the change** to the 3rd Monday of the month for February only. Our **Guest Speaker will be Assoc. Professor Rowan Story, AM, RFD** who is an **Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon**. His presentation is entitled “**My Barsky Journey 1998—2017**” and is about his work in Vietnam with an Australian medical team performing secondary alveolar cleft grafting and while teaching the procedure to Vietnamese trainee surgeons. The work has now become an annual surgical mission and has received financial support from *the dove*. An invitation is extended to anyone in the Congregation and Op Shop volunteers to join us to hear about Prof. Rowan Story’s work. UCAF members please bring a small plate of morning tea and any items suitable for the Trading Table.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Sunday March 4th 2018.** the meeting will be held straight after worship. One of the agenda items will be elections. There are vacancies for Congregational Chairperson, Elders and Church Councillors. If you are interested in nominating for any of these positions, please collect a nomination form from Diane Jones or Geoff Naylor. Nominations forms and any items for the agenda, (please put them in writing) must be handed to Geoff or Diane by Wednesday February the 21st.