



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

5.00pm Barwon Heads

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

4R Thrive Together

10.30am Ocean Grove

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4R Thrive Together in the church hall

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads

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10.30.00am Ocean Grove

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June 26th Support for Victims of Torture

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 2) Genesis 18: 1-15, (21: 1-7),
Psalm 116: 1-2, 12-19, Romans 5: 1-8, Matthew 9: 35-10:8, (9-23)

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 3) Genesis 21: 8-21, Psalm 86: 1-10, 16-17
Romans 6: 1b –11, Matthew 10: 24-39

KEY VERSE

“He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.”

Matthew 10: 1

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 will meet next Wednesday at 1.30pm and our speaker will be Jean Murray. Jean has preached many wonderful sermons at our church and we look forward to hearing her talk to our ladies.

THANK YOU to everyone who donated food items to UnitingCare Geelong last year. Eiril Gliddon, UnitingCare's coordinator of emergency relief operations, has written to let us know that almost 4000 people benefitted through visits to UnitingCare's Norlane, Grovedale and Winchelsea offices. And the value of the food donated across the Geelong area was just short of \$175,000 and come from Secondbite, Foodbank, local churches and community organisations. While it is a wonderful response, it is also challenging to reflect on the hardship faced by so many people in our region.

WELL DONE to ken and Faye McLean and their family for taking part in the MS walk/run at Albert Park. The MacLean's at Large" team was led by their daughter Catriona and raised \$2940.00. Faye says, "We are hoping by raising funds like this someone one day will find a cure for this debilitating disease. Thank you to all who sponsored us."

DATES FOR YOUR JUNE CALENDAR

Thursday June 22nd

2.00pm Mid-week Service of Holy Communion at Ocean Grove

Please note that the date has been changed due to the fact that on the 22nd of June the UCA will be celebrating it's 40th Anniversary.

BOOK SALE

OXFAM AUSTRALIA

Run by volunteers from the Ocean Grove Group

SATURDAY 24TH JUNE

9.00AM—1.00PM

All new books. Current publications

Ocean Grove Uniting Church Hall

Do you have a passion for advertising, organising events or just like being on a Committee?

Then you are the person/s the Parish Executive are looking for.

A new Committee needs to be formed in order to manage the Newington Ocean Grove Church Centre.

If you are interested please contact the Church Office either by Email oguc107@gmail.com

or by phoning the church office (5256 2477) any Friday morning between 9.00am and 12noon.

There are no restrictions on who and how many can be on the Committee!!!

ACT FOR PEACE 2017 RATION CHALLENGE

Thank you for your support. I really appreciate your kindness for your donations that will provide food for many Syrian refugees in Jordan and helping to feed other refugees in dreadful circumstances in other countries supported by Act For Peace.

Your early donations last week have earned me a bonus 8 teabags, a protein and a vegetable to add to my refugee rations of rice, lentils, chick peas, kidney beans and a tins of sardines. Thank you very much. The added variety will be a great encouragement.

If other folk would like to help in this cause by donating whatever you can manage it will not only provide food but health care and education for some of the 80,000 people living in the desert camp in Jordan.

If you would like to make a direct donation to Act for Peace, on line here is the link.

actforpeace.rationchallenge.org.au/fundraisers/joanalcutt

Sincere thanks Joan Calcutt.

“The Everywhere God or the Elsewhere God. A sacred Source of Energy”

1.30pm Thursday June the 22nd
Western Heights Uniting Church,
Douglass Street, Herne Hill.

Australian Scholar Rev. John Smith will present and lead a discussion based on his new book “Honest to GOoD: Discerning the Sacred in the Secular”. This is sponsored by The Geelong Section of The Progressive Christian Network of Victoria. We are a non-denominational discussion group who meet monthly to seek to understand Christian beliefs and doctrines in the light of current scientific knowledge and modern biblical scholarship.

For further information please contact Geoff Naylor.

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, tins of soup, and packets of rice and pasta 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.

If you have already used your talents and raised some money then please return it to the church in a sealed envelope marked "Talent Month" and place it in the offering bowl. It is not necessary to add your name.

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 June the 26th at the Ocean Grove Senior Citizens Centre, 101 The Terrace at 10.00am. We will watch a DVD then have morning tea. See you there!

SUNDAY JUNE THE 25TH will be a time when we celebrate the UCA 40th Anniversary and officially welcome "new members" to our Congregation. To help us celebrate, would you kindly bring a plate of something special to have with a cuppa after the service. Thanking you in anticipation of your co-operation.

4R Worship team meeting Friday June the 23rd 10.00am in the church.

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