

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

5.00pm Barwon Heads Contemporary Service "4R Thrive Together" SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

10.30am Ocean Grove10.30.00am Ocean GroveThe Reverend Doctor Jong Soo ParkThe Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park"4R Thrive Together" in the church hall.

May 28th Reconciliation Sunday

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 6) Acts 17: 22-31, Psalm 66: 8-20 1 Peter 3: 13-22, John 14: 15-21

NEXT WEEK (Easter 7) Acts 1: 6-14, Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35 1 Peter 4: 12-14, 5: 6-11, John 17: 1-11

KEY VERSE

"...the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives in you and will be with you." John 14: 17

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.

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.

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD is a daily Bible reading guide which includes Bible passages to be used in each Sunday's worship services. There is approximately 20 lines of reflection on each day's passage. Free sample copies of the current issue (May 8—August 6th for the season of Pentecost) are available in the church porch. Please borrow a copy to see if you wish to use this valuable resource. Talk to Greg Carruthers or Margaret Parry if you want to order your own copy in the future.

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

"Coranderrk"

A play by Andrea James and Giordano Nanni

that tells the history of Indigenous settlement in Healesville in the 1800's.

1st—3rd June

Geelong Performing Arts Centre

To book call 5255 1200, or perhaps a group may like to go together.

If interested

please contact Yvonne Hargrave on 5255 2524

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!!!

"Bird of my Soul"

Exhibition and sale of Artworks June 2nd 7.00—10.00pm June 3rd & 4th 10.00am—5.00pm Wesley Church Hall 100 Yarra Street Geelong All proceeds towards legal support for people seeking asylum. Presented by Wesley Welcome Centre Enquires 0407 013 428

> Justice & International Mission Unit Convention 2017 "Building Bridges not walls" Saturday May 27th 9.30am—4.15pm Centre for Theology & Ministry 29 College Crescent Parkville Phone 9251 5271 or email jim@victas.uca.org.au To register.

DATES FOR YOUR JUNE CALENDAR Thursday June 15th 2.00pm Mid-week Service of Holy Communion at Ocean Grove

> Wednesday June 21st Parish Mission Team Meeting 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 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, 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.

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 the 22nd of May. Please bring some scissors as we will be trimming stamps for Sammy Stamp. Also Robyn Clark will entertain us on the keyboard for Talent Month so remember to bring a donation for the plate to thank her.

GEELONG CHAPLAINCY SUPPORT GROUP APPEAL envelopes are available in the foyer if you would like to make a personal donation.

JUNE MEETINGS: Church Council Thursday June the 1st 4.30pm , Elders 10.00am June the 8th 10.00am and both meetings are held in the church foyer.