



# 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  
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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Holy Communion

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September 24th Social Justice Sunday

## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 16) Exodus 16: 2-15, Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45  
Philemon 1: 21-30, Matthew 20: 1-16

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 17) Exodus 17: 1-7, Psalm 78: 1-4, 12-16  
Phil 2: 1-13, Matthew 21: 23-32

## KEY VERSE

**"Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts."  
Psalm 105: 2**

## 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.

**OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP** enjoyed our gathering on Wednesday, with a delightful talk from Jeanette, based on silence. She played a couple of lovely CD's, the most moving hymn being "Be Still and Know That I am God". We will now have a break for the school holidays.

**TRIVIA NIGHT NEWS:** The Barry Brigade have booked a table and will be back to defend their title. What about you? Have you booked? The annual night of fun, fellowship and fundraising is just four weeks away on **Friday October the 13th at 7.00pm**. Please ring **Lydia Cover (0418 547 644 or 5254 3328)** to reserve your spot.

**PLEASE PRAY** for Win O'Brien who is recovering after a fall. Win is in the loving care of her daughter Gail in Gippsland. We look forward to seeing her back in Barwon Heads in the not too distant future.

**THANKS** to Kel Parry for sharing a wonderful sermon on Chapter 18 of the Gospel of Matthew on Sunday September the 10th. The reading for the day looked at verses 15-20, but Kel expanded his discourse to reflect on the complete chapter. To summarise, Kel said: "Self-importance and pride have no place in the kingdom of God. To follow Jesus means taking on the position of lowest status, making sure that we do all we can to encourage others in the way, acknowledging that it is God's will that none of his sheep should be lost to the kingdom, that forgiveness has no limit, and that God has forgiven us so we forgive others.

**SAMMY STAMP GROUP:** meets this month on Wednesday 27th of September from 1.30—3.30pm in the church Vestry.

### "MINI EXPO"

Tuesday October the 3rd 12.30pm—3.00pm  
Sausage Sizzle, chance to speak organisations in  
Ocean Grove, presentation by Barwon Coast. Afternoon Tea.  
Ocean Grove Senior Citizens Centre  
101 The Terrace Ocean Grove  
No bookings required and this a free event.

*John, Diane and Jennie Prowse, and their families, would like to thank people for their prayers, kind words, phone calls, cards and flowers on the recent death of Cliff. Cliff regularly worshipped at the Ocean Grove church for 30 years. He held numerous volunteer positions of responsibility: including Elder, Parish Council treasury group leader, Chairman of the Finance Committee, choir member, joint convenor of the Centenary Committee, and co-author of the Centenary history book, member of the selection committee for a new Minister, and occasionally a give of children's and youth club's addresses.*

Geelong Christian Union  
Invites you to our  
**CELEBRATION AND FAREWELL DINNER**  
Saturday 28th October 5.45pm  
Barrabool Hills Baptist Church  
4-32 Province Blv. Highton  
**KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Who am I?**  
**THEME: Masquerade**  
**DRESS: Formal attire**  
**TICKETS: Adults \$30, Concession \$20**  
Available at [www.afes.org.au?GeelongCUDinner2017](http://www.afes.org.au?GeelongCUDinner2017)  
RSVP essential by October the 9th  
Limited tickets available.  
For more info please call  
Patrick on 0468 590 325

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For July and August our Retiring Offering was for the Share Winter Appeal, and this appeal will continue for September. Please give as you are able. Remember not everyone is able to feel as warm and comfortable as we are! Thank you to those who have given so generously so far.

**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 there will be no Coffee and Chat for the next two weeks and we will resume again on Friday October the 13th**

**LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY :** to help stock our pantry it would be helpful to receive **TINS** of chick peas, lentils, red kidney beans and chopped tomatoes. Remember next Sunday is Communion Sunday when we bring forward with our offering, all donations to the Food Pantry to be blessed. Thank you for continuing support of the Food Pantry, it helps provide a number of people in our Ocean Grove Community with food security.

**NEW PHONE NUMBER** for Deirdre Campbell is now 5216 9005 and **NEW ADDRESS** for Doug Gorwell is 84 Devlins Road Ocean grove Vic. 3226. Please remember to change these detail in your church directory.

**NEXT UCAF MEETING** will be on Monday September the 25th at 10.00am in the church foyer. Our guest speaker is Tim from the Leprosy Mission. He will show a DVD and speak about projects in East Timor. Merchandise from the LM catalogue will be for sale. You can pay by cash or card. All welcome.

**FASHION PARADE RESULTS:** after deducting expenses the grand total of profit for this marvellous event was \$1,159.00. Thank you to everyone who contributed in so many ways.

**PLEASE PRAY** for Lauris & Brian Kidd, Doug and Lesley Pope, Nell and Hank Brethouwer, and Neil and Merriel Derrick who are all coping with serious health issues at this time.