

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 SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads 9.00am Barwon Heads

Ms. Jean Murray The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove 10.30.00am Ocean Grove

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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Epiphany 4) Micah 6: 1-8, Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31, Matthew 5: 1-12

NEXT WEEK (Epiphany5) Isaiah 58: 1-9a, (9b-12), Psalm 112: 1-9 (10) 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12, (13-16), Matthew 5: 13-20

KEY VERSE

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men"

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 377where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the Annual Fete on Saturday January the 14th such a wonderful success in so many ways. God blessed us with ideal weather and we received great support from both the local community and holidaymakers. The final total raised will be more than \$8000.00.

NEW CARPET has been installed in the Church and Vestry this week. Thanks to Mark Harwood for his work as project manager and to members of the Congregation who helped with some heavy lifting before and after the carpet was laid. We also appreciate the efforts of the Barwon Heads Cycling Club members who added their muscle power in a terrific show of Community spirit.

IN 2017 OUR Ladies Friendship Group begins with a meeting on Wednesday the 1st of February at 1.30pm. We look forward to a talk from Merilyn, followed by a friendly chat and afternoon tea.

OUR COMBINED CHURCHES of Barwon Heads will meet at All Saints Anglican Church on Tuesday February the 14th at 4.00pm to share news of each others activities and plan for any proposed combined projects. We would hope to have 6 or 8 people from our uniting Church able to attend. Please let lan Cover know if you are available to attend.

PLEASE NOTE THIS DATE: Friday the 3rd of March, 2.00pm for Barwon Heads observance of WORLD DAY OF PRAYER to be held at Holy Family Catholic Church (Cnr. Hitchcock Ave. & Thorn St.) using a printed Order of Service prepared by Christians in the Philippines with the theme "Am I being unfair to you?" Please save this date and plan to attend if you can.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE CHURCH oguc107@gmail.com
The phone number (5256 2477) remains the same, but for the time being there is no answering machine.

DATES FOR CALENDARS

Parish Mission Team Meeting
Wednesday February 8th
7.00pm in the Ocean Grove Church Foyer

Parish Executive Meeting
Tuesday February 21st
4.00pm in the Ocean Grove Church Foyer.

Lenten Studies begin Wednesday March 8th "Reading the Bible Together" 7.00pm Newington Church

Lenten Walks begin Tuesday March the 14th

Book & Painting Sale
Ocean Grove Church Hall
April 6th—8th
10.00am—4.00pm

Sacred edge Festival
May 5-7 Queenscliff Uniting Church
Early Bird registrations available until 31/1/17
Register www.unitingqueenscliff.org.au

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For November & December we supported the Act for Peace Christmas Bowl Appeal. A cheque for \$1334.15 was sent to this worthy cause. Thank you all for your generosity.

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. Coffee and Chat will resume on Friday the 3rd of February 2017

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Sunday February the 19th. This meeting will be held in the hall straight after morning worship and will be followed by a shared lunch. One of the agenda items will be elections. There are vacancies for Church Chairperson, Elders and Church councilors. If you are interested in nominating for either of these positions, please collect a nomination form from Diane Jones (Congregational Secretary) or from the table in the foyer. Nomination forms are to be returned to Geoff Naylor (Congregational Chairperson) or Diane Jones by Wednesday February the 8th. If you have any items for the agenda, please hand them in writing to Geoff Naylor or Diane Jones by Wednesday February the 8th.

SATURDAY JANUARY 21ST GARAGE SALE: The Fundraising Committee sincerely thanks everyone who helped with the setting up, the selling and packing & cleaning up after the Garage Sale. The final result is as follows: Outside Furniture \$666.40, Electrical \$242.00 Cutlery \$155.60, Bric-a-Brac \$611 making a grand total of \$1765.00

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: Thursday February the 2nd 4.30pm in the Church Foyer.

ELDERS MEETING: Thursday February the 9th 10.00am in the church foyer.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING
Tomorrow night
7.30pm
In the church Foyer.
Would all property committee members
please remember to bring your "guote" papers