



# Weekly Newsletter

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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

9.00am Newington  
The Reverend Ian Porter

10.30am Ocean Grove  
The Reverend Ian Porter

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
The Reverend Ian Porter

9.00am Newington  
Mrs. M. Hardy

10.30am Ocean Grove  
The Reverend Ian Porter

## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 4) Acts 9: 36-43 Psalm 23  
Revelations 7: 9-17, John 10: 22-30

NEXT WEEK (Easter 5) Acts 11: 1-18, Psalm 148  
Revelations 21: 1-6, John 13: 31-35

## KEY VERSE

**"I and the father are one"**  
**John 20: 30**

## 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](mailto: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 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

**KNITTERS WANTED:** Cottage by the Sea, Queenscliff, is looking for donations of wool and/or people willing to knit scarves, squares for rugs, teddies, slippers, mittens or beanies as gifts for disadvantaged children visiting the Cottage. Anyone able to help please phone Lyn (Knitting Co-ordinator) on 5259 3557 for further information.

**UNITING CHURCH LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP** meets again on Wednesday April the 20th and May the 4th. All welcome.

**CHURCH ROSTERS:** Sally Hobbs is preparing the roster for May to August. Can you please let her know if there are any dates you are unavailable ([sahobbs71@gmail.com](mailto:sahobbs71@gmail.com) or 0448 817 110) any more volunteers for any duties would be greatly appreciated, but especially for morning tea or dusting.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Helen Carruthers, who won the Hexagon Challenge at the recent Quilt Show in Barwon Heads. Helen's quilt consisted of more than 11,000 hexagonal pieces of material painstakingly sewn together. What an effort! Helen was also runner-up (narrowly) in the People's Choice award.

**ROSE GARDEN taking shape.** Thanks to Don Freeman and a group of helpers including an energetic Geoff Tamblyn who donated several bags of horse Manure and to the people who answered the call for roses we will soon have a beautiful new garden as well as a jacaranda tree which has been planted on the southern boundary. Please phone Don on 5254 2732 if you can help in any way with the rose garden or around the property.

**All welcome to morning tea  
in the church hall after the service.**

**PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING  
TUESDAY APRIL 26TH  
4.00PM IN THE FOYER OF THE OCEAN  
GROVE CHURCH.**

## **BIGGEST MORNING TEA**

Ocean Grove Uniting Church Hall  
10.00pm Thursday May 12th  
\$5.00 donation with Guest Speaker Mr. David Renton

## **BLUMES FASHION PARADE WINTER COLLECTION**

ST PETERS HALL, DRAPER ST. OCEAN GROVE  
MONDAY MAY 2ND 2.00PM  
Entry \$3 includes afternoon tea.  
Organised by the O/Grove B/Heads Laurel Club.

Queenscliff Men's Shed require adult bikes.  
These they repair for refugee students  
attending North Geelong Secondary College.  
If you are able to help contact Lyn Mulligan on 5255 2638

## **ANNUAL LEAVE**

Jong Soo will be on Annual Leave until  
April the 26th.  
If you have any Pastoral Concerns please contact  
an Elder or the Congregational Chairperson in your Congregation.

Synod of Victoria and Tasmania  
Data Warehouse, the new online  
Questionnaire and Treasurers Training Workshops  
Thursday April the 28th 6.00pm Wesley Uniting Church Geelong.  
A small number of laptops will be available,  
but if you have one of your own please bring it.

"I would like to thank and congratulate all those responsible for the décor in the  
hall on the night of Riordan's performance.  
The atmosphere was spectacular, and to David Reid for his lighting of the gum  
tree. It was awesome.  
Thank you one and all" Joan Billington.

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For the months of April and May will be for "Mission Aviation fellowship". There are some brochures on the table near the bowl if you would like more information about this wonderful service.

**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.

**UCAF NEWS:** There is no meeting in April as the date falls on ANZAC Day. Our next meeting will be on the 23rd of May and the guest speaker is Sue Worland from Scope. Everyone is welcome to come and hear Sue. Please bring a small plate for morning tea and there will be a Trading Table.

**FUNDRAISING NEWS:** Thank you to everyone who helped with the [music@thevine.com](mailto:music@thevine.com) night. We raised \$576.00 less expenses.

**NEW GARDENER:** Yes there is another new gardener on the team. David Reid is now a member of the team of four. There is still room for more gardeners though!

**LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY:** Now that the weather is starting to cool down, the Food Pantry would appreciate donations of tinned soups of all varieties to help stock our shelves. Thank you for your continued support.

**A DATE FOR YOUR CALENDAR:** Tuesday May 10th 9.00am Help give the church, the church foyer, hall and kitchen a good clean. Please bring your own cleaning equipment, such as cobweb brushes, buckets and rags. Actual cleaning products will be supplied.

Do you have any **8 ply knitting wool or acrylic yarn** stored away but not needed? The UCAF knitters can put it to good use for rug making. Any donations will be gratefully received and can be left in the marked basket in the church foyer.

**TALENT MONTH:** May is going to get as many people as possible inspired to show off their talents. It is another fundraising effort, so please consider taking part. The idea is that you are encouraged to turn \$10 into as much profit as possible over the month. So if you can bake, sew, knit, grow vegetables, make jams/pickles/relish or even busk down the street your talents are needed. There will be list on the table in the foyer for you to write down your name for the initial \$10. The idea is not just for you to "sell your goods at church, but think outside the box and try selling and involving your family members, members of different clubs you may be involved with, neighbours and friends. The ways you can fundraise are make profit are endless!!!