

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Newington, 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

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park Ms. Jean Murray

9.00am Newington 9.00am Newington

Mr. Noel Patchett Combined Service at either Barwon

Heads or Ocean Grove

10.30am Ocean Grove 10.30am Ocean Grove

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park Ms. Jean Murray

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Epiphany 3) Neh. 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10, Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a, Luke 4: 14-21

NEXT WEEK (Epiphany 4) Jer. 1: 4-10, Psalm 71: 1-6 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13, Luke 4: 21-30

KEY VERSE

"Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside."

Luke 4: 14

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.

A KEY has been found in a jar in the church kitchen before the weekend 5th/6th December. Anyone who left jars about that time can enquire about the key from Margaret Parry 5254 3208.

CHRISTMAS BOWL donations at the Combined Churches Community carols and at our Christmas Day service have passed \$1000, plus appeal envelopes being forwarded direct to the Christmas Bowl. Our Treasurer Greg 5254 1299 will still receive further donations in January.

BARWON HEADS UNITING CHURCH LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP:

Will resume on Wednesday 3rd of February from 1.30pm—2.30pm in the Church vestry. This group will run during school term on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Come and join us for a time of devotion, a cuppa and chat. All welcome. Enquiries Merilyn 5254 3042.

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

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP CLASSES
Day Women's Group
St. Peter's Anglican Church 35 Draper Street Ocean Grove
Thursday February 18th 9.30—11.00am
For registration and welcome.
Book of the Bile to be studied for 2016 "Revelations"

NEEDED

SMALL BOXES SUITABLE FOR DISPLAYING JEWELLERY If you have any would you kindly deliver them to *the dove* in a bag marked for Dianne S.

THANK YOU

Electronic Scooter for Sale

Huge 4 pole motor + 160 amp conquers any hill. Battery operated. Weight capacity 227kg. 137cm x 73cm. Maximum speed 10/14 Kmp. Operating range 25-40km. Rear bag, flag, wet weather gear. Still under warranty. Bought for \$4800.00 will sell for \$3500.00 Interested please phone Heather (Jean Gunn's Daughter) on 0409 380 852

Mission Shaped Ministry Course Your chance to learn about Fresh expressions Begins February the 20th.

Please see the notice on your church noticeboard for full details and if interested see Jong Soo for registration form.

UnitingWorld Experience Volunteer program

The Presbyterian Church in Vanuatu (PCV) is upgrading and improving existing church owned accommodation. The apartments will be used for short term and long term housing, and also as in income generating program that will provide PCV with money to be put towards future Disaster Risk and recovery projects. The PCV has asked for qualified electricians and plumbers with their own tools who are able to join the building team fro 1 week in early April. Basic accommodation will be provided during the week and on-skilled family members are welcome to join. Does this sound like a role for you or someone you know might be interested in? if so, please contact Megan Calcaterra on 8267 4251 or meganc@unitingworld.org.au for further information.

"Have a laugh"

Can you imagine the Nun sitting at her desk grading these papers where Catholic Elementary School Children were asked questions about the Bible.

"in the first book of the Bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world so he took the Sabbath off."

"Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark and the animals come on in pears."

"Lot's wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night"

Sampson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles"

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For the month of January and February we will be collecting money for at this stage an undetermined worthy charity. If know of a charity you think the church should support please let Dianne Sapwell know. The result of our Christmas Bowl Appeal **is \$1831.75**. Thank you to everyone for giving so generously..

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 will resume again on Friday 5th February, 10.30am in the church foyer. 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 would appreciate donations of 1kg packets of Long grain Rice to help maintain stocks for our food pantry. Please bring along to worship and place in the basket in the foyer. They will be brought forward with the Offering on the 1st Sunday in February. Thank you all for your continued support, it is much appreciated.

ANNUAL REPORTS: If you are responsible for preparing an annual report, would you kindly have it to Dianne Sapwell by the **29th of January.**

IN 2016 the Presbytery of Port Philip West will once again be holding a Mission Shaped Ministry Course that is designed to stimulate people and Congregations in the process of Regenerating the Church. This year there will be a day session (2-4.00 pm) and an evening session (6–8.30pm). The course will begin on February the 20th and more details are on the noticeboard opposite the hall entrance.

GARAGE SALE: Thank you to everyone who helped on both the Friday and Saturday. The amount raised will be published next week.

UCAF 2016 Our first meeting will be on **Monday January the 25th.** This will be a planning meeting for the 2016 program and also World Day of Prayer which we will be hosting ion the 4th of March with Jong Soo as the guest speaker. Barry Calcutt has very kindly offered to speak to us about Cuba at this meeting. Cuban women have prepared the service for WDP so Barry will give us an insight into Cuban culture. **No Trading Table** and **biscuits will be supplied for morning tea.** The Commitment Service will be on Monday February 22nd. All welcome to attend. There will be a Trading Table and please bring a small plate for morning tea. Hope to see you on the 25th of January.

CHURCH COUNCIL meets Thursday February 4th 4.30pm in the church foyer and **ELDERS** meet Thursday February 11th at 10.00am in the church foyer.