



Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove,
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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
Ms. Jean Murray

10.30am Ocean Grove
Ms. Jean Murray

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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July 30th International Day of Friendship

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 7) Genesis 28: 10-19a, Psalm 139: 1-12, 23-24
Romans 8: 12-25, Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 8) Genesis 29: 15-28, Psalm 105: 1-11, 45b or
Psalm 128 Romans 8: 26-39, Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

KEY VERSE

“The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one.”

Matthew 13: 38

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.

OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP meeting last Wednesday was well attended despite the wintry weather. Cathy Coleman spoke about Jesus and the living water. She gave us a list of many quotes from the Bible, where water was so important, and then we sang some lovely, appropriate hymns. We all enjoyed our day and thank Marilyn for initiating these meetings, and for all her work in preparation.

UNITING is the new name for the Community Services arm of the Uniting Church in Victoria and Tasmania. UNITING brings together 24 agencies previously known as UnitingCare or Wesley Mission Victoria, and also SHARE. On 1st July 2017 when 24 community services agencies came together UNITING had 3500 employees and 3,500 volunteers making UNITING one of the largest community service organisations in Victoria and Tasmania, with SHARE as a fundraising organisation to assist UNITING agencies to support people in crisis or experiencing disadvantage. SHARE asks for our continuing support to enable UNITING to make a difference in people's lives and provide help for those who have nowhere else to turn.

THE SHARE WINTER APPEAL brochure is in the pews. With recent bitterly cold weather now is the time to make the effort to donate money to assist with food hampers and supermarket vouchers, winter clothing, warm blankets, petrol vouchers, and school uniforms/shoes. Please read the brochure with its theme "All it takes is one crisis for your life to unravel" and respond as you are able.

BARWON HEADS COMBINED CHURCHES meet twice each year to share news of their activities and plan anything they wish to do together as Combined Churches (Anglican, Catholic and Uniting). The next meeting will be held in our Vestry on Tuesday August the 8th, 4.00pm with ourselves as hosts. Please let Ian Cover or Margaret Parry know if you are interested and available. The meeting usually lasts 60-75 minutes.

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

NEXT PARISH MISSION TEAM MEETING
WEDNESDAY THE 16TH OF AUGUST 7.00pm
In the foyer of the Ocean Grove Church

WINTER HAS ARRIVED AND OUR CLIENTS ARE FEELING THE
COLD.

Food stocks are low and funding costs are going to make it hard for us to
top them up.

Can you help **Uniting Barwon** (formerly UnitingCare Geelong) with
items such as soup, pasta sauces, long life milk, noodles, cooking oil,
tinned vegetables and Harvest meats?

Warm blankets and doonas are also in short supply.

All donations are most welcome and can be delivered to

TRAVELS WITH MY PAINT BRUSH

Brian Kidd says he cannot bake a cake or make jam so for
his contribution to the Ocean Grove Church Talent Month
fundraiser he has decided to share with you some of his
amateur paintings.

Saturday the 29th of July and Sunday the 30th of July
In the Ocean Grove Church Hall
With entry of a Gold coin donation

AUGUST MEETINGS FOR OCEAN GROVE

Thursday August 3rd Church Council 4.00pm

Thursday August 10th Elders 10.00am

Both meetings to be held in the church foyer.

Sunday August 13th

Congregational Meeting immediately after worship.

Please forward items for the agenda and nominations for Church
Councillors and Elders to Diane Jones or Geoff Naylor by Wednesday
the 2nd of August.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For July and August our Retiring Offering will be for the Share Winter Appeal. Appeal brochures are available on the table in the foyer.

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, tins of soup, and packets of rice and pasta would be greatly appreciated by the many people who come seeking our assistance.

PLEASE NOTE that Jong Soo will be on Annual leave from Tuesday July the 18th until Tuesday July the 25th.

GREETINGS from Robert and Barbara Cox: with the ship's satellite system it has taken me ALL DAY to get this email out!!! We've now crossed the arctic circle and tomorrow our bulletin reads.... Sunrise: The sun does not set. Sunset: The sun does not set.....so tonight we're having a walk to a glacier at midnight!!!! Will keep in touch more once we get off this ship. Cheers. **Obviously Robert and Barbara are still on the ship as there is not update this week. Let's hope they have not had an encounter with a polar bear!!**

CORRECTION OF PHONE NUMBER: Please note that Lorraine Vincent's mobile phone number should be 0419 541 643. please make this correction in your directories.

PLEASE ADD THESE DETAILS TO YOUR DIRECTORIES:

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