

# Weekly Newsletter

### Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday July 30th 2017

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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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### July 30th International Day of Friendship

### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS 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

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 9) Genesis 32: 22-31, Psalm 17: 1-7, 15 Romans 9: 1-5, Matthew 14: 15-21

### **KEY VERSE**

"Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done."

Psalm 105: 1

#### **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 will meet again next Wednesday, at 1.30pm, and we look forward to a presentation by Be Smith, Be is a wonderful member of your Congregation, who is involved in a great deal of community work. We will enjoy her talk, followed by a chat and afternoon tea. All ladies welcome to join us.

**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 askes 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

### THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the wonderful donation of blankets and coats to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. It was very much appreciated by our members.

In the last 12 months, our programs have provided 39,569 nappies, weekly groceries for over 200 families, 1,400 asylum seekers with blankets and coats and 196, 223 hours of access to public transport.

Thank you from the Material Aid Team at ASRC.

### 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.

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:** to help stock our pantry it would be helpful to receive <u>TINS</u> 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.

**GREETINGS** from Robert and Barbara Cox: Well after the fabulous cruise, followed by a few days on each of Oslo, Copenhagen and Stockholm. We're now back in Scotland for 2 weeks. We collected a car at Edinburgh, drove up to this cottage in the highlands which has what would have once been a spectacular garden, now somewhat overgrown (with the owner living in Dubai!). Got to bed at 4.30am. From comments from previous guests, there's a lot of wildlife around including deer and martens (somewhat like ferrets). Think we'll have fun.

### PLEASE ADD THESE DETAILS TO YOUR DIRECTORIES:

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**UCAF NEWS:** The Spring Gathering will be at Queenscliff Uniting Church on Thursday the 31st of August beginning with a cuppa at 10.00am. The morning speaker is Phil Thewlis from Uniting Age Well. The afternoon entertainment is The Original Queenscliff Ecumenical Choir. BYO lunch. Please let Robin Munro know before August the 21st if you are attending either session.