

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday January 7th 2018

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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 Jenny Preston Ms. Jean Murray

Holy Communion

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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Baptism of the Lord) Genesis 1: 1-5, Psalm 29 Acts19: 1-7, Mark 1: 4-11

NEXT WEEK (Epiphany 2) 1 Samuel 3: 1-10, (11-20) Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20, John 1: 43-51

KEY VERSE

"I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit"

Mark 1: 8

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.

NEW STAMPS FOR OLD: Remember to bring your used stamps in a package marked with your name and phone number and "post" them in the red box at the church fete on Saturday January the 13th. One package will be drawn out from the red box and the donor will receive some new \$1 stamps as a "thank you"

150th ANNIVERSARY: We will celebrate 150 years of Christian worship in Barwon Heads in 2018, an occasion which can be marked in many ways. A committee is needed to oversee this significant milestone so please let Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park or Ian Cover know if you would like to be involved.

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

THANK YOU

Lauris Kidd and her family wish to thank the church family for their loving thoughts, prayers, flowers, phone calls and attendance at the funeral of their beloved husband, father, and grand father. Your support has made the shock of Brian's sudden death a tad easier. Thank you Lauris.

Lauris is now in respite care and Homestead and maybe their for some time. Please feel free to call in anytime and if you would like to speak to Melissa (Brian \mathcal{E}_1 Lauris' daughter) feel free to call her on 0433 056 081

ANNUAL LEAVE

Jong Soo and his family will be on Annual leave from Tuesday January the 2nd until Tuesday January the 16th 2018.

If you have an Pastoral needs or concerns please speak to either a Church Council member or Elder your Congregation.

If you do not appreciate these "words of wisdom" or are sick of reading them maybe you can help fill this space over the next few weeks.

Just email your ideas to oguc107@gmail.com

"You know you are getting old when your wild oats turn into prunes and allbran"

"The amount of sleep required by the average person is just 5 minutes more"

"A great many open minds should be closed for repair"

"Middle age is when you realise you'll never live long enough to try all those recipes you spent 30 years clipping out of newspapers and magazines"

"A committee is a body that keeps minutes and wastes hours"

"You are getting old when you throw a party and the neighbours don't even notice"

DATES FOR YOUR 2018 CALENDARS

SECOND HAND BOOK AND PAINTING SALE OCEAN GROVE CHURCH HALL

Thursday January 11th and Friday January the 12th 10.00am—4.00pm
Saturday January the 13th 10.00am—1.00pm

RECYCLED TREASURE SALE AT THE TAJ OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH

Saturday January 20th 8.00am—12noon

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For the months of November and December we will be supporting the Christmas Bowl Appeal.

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: Please note that the Friday Coffee and Chat will be in recess for the holidays and will resume on Friday February the 2nd 2018

LOAVES AND FISHES PANTRY: We are in need of tinned tomatoes and fruit and jars of pasta sauce, packets of spaghetti and 1 litre boxes of fruit juice to keep our pantry stocked over the holiday period. If you are able to help us, please bring any of the above goods to worship over the next few weeks and place them in the basket in the foyer. Our clients were thrilled to receive their Thank you everyone for supporting this important part of our Congregation's mission to the people in our local community.

ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2017 WILL BE ACCPTED ANY TIME YOU HAVE THEM READY!! Please ensure that you have your Annual Reports in by the 14th of January 2018.

BOOK AND PAINTING SALE: Setting up Wednesday January the 10th, from 12noon and selling days Thursday 11th, Friday 12th and Saturday the 13th of January 2018. Please write these dates on your new calendars and endeavor to make some time to help either with the setting up or the selling. The sale will be open from 10.00am—4.00pm each day and a roster is on the table in the church foyer for you to write your name on. Remember that even if you can only spare an hour on a couple of days it all helps.

RECYCLED TREASURE SALE: Setting up Friday January the 19th from 12noon and selling starts on Saturday from 8.00am—12noon. If you can help on either day it would be gratefully appreciated. Please let Dianne Sapwell or Neil Derrick know of when you can come.

UCAF NEWS: The first meeting for 2018 will be on Monday the 22nd of January at 10.00am in the church foyer. We will be planning the syllabus for the year. All welcome.