



Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, 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

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park
Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove
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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Epiphany 5) Isaiah 40: 21-31, psalm 147: 1-11, 20c
1 Corinthians 9: 16-23, Mark 1: 29-39

NEXT WEEK (Transfiguration of Jesus) 2 Kings 2: 1-12, Psalm 50: 1-6
2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 Mark 9: 2-9

KEY VERSE

**“ I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its
blessings”**

1 Corinthians 9: 23

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.

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.

LADIES FELLOWSHIP: All of the ladies who attended last year are looking forward to our first meeting in 2018, next Wednesday at 1.30pm. Marilyn, who initiated these great afternoons, will be speaking, followed by afternoon tea as we socialise. All ladies are welcome to come along.

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

*The Bellarine Presbyterian Church
Cordially invites all Church Council members and
members of the Ocean Grove and Barwon Heads
Congregations to join them at the
Ordination of their new Minister
The Reverend Jordan Brown
On Sunday February the 4th at 3.30pm
Please note the change of the time.*

*The service will be held in the Ocean Grove Uniting
Church and refreshments will follow in the church
hall.*

**SAFE CHURCH TRAINING DAY
SATURDAY FEBRUARY THE 24TH 2018
OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH
2.00PM—4.00PM (at the latest)**

**This training day will be facilitated by
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park.**

All members of the Congregations of both Ocean Grove and Barwon Heads, who are involved in Church Council, are an Elder, work with children as Sunday School teachers or music leaders, and anyone else interested in learning what it means to have your church recognised as a “Safe Church” are requested to attend.

If you attended the last Training Day held at Ocean Grove you must attend this one, as Synod requests that all people working with children must have their training updated every two years. If you wish to know more then please contact either Jong Soo or Dianne Sapwell.

Are you interested in having a Christian book, shop, resource centre and Bible Museum in Geelong? If yes then you are invited to join a group of like minded Christian people for a discussion on Monday 26th February at 7.00pm, Belmont-Highton Baptist Church, 43-45 Mt. Pleasant Road Belmont. For more info please contact the Secretary on 0458 482 047

Five week course “The Story of the Bible” starting 20th February, 7.00—9.15pm RTC Resource Centre, 125 Pigdons Road, Waurin Ponds. Cost \$60pp with supper included.

Register: [online rtc.edu.au/short-courses](http://online.rtc.edu.au/short-courses) or contact the RTC office on 5244 8600

**“Lenten Space” for prayer and reflection
Wednesdays Feb 21st and 28th, March 7th, 14th,
21st, and 28th
10.00am—4.00pm
Ocean Grove Uniting Church
Music and materials for prayer and reflection will be
available.**

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: If you would like to support a worthy cause, please speak to an Elder so your idea can be considered.

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: Fridays 10.30—11.30am in the church foyer. All are welcome to call in for a coffee/tea and a biscuit or two. Pop in for 10 minutes or stay for an hour. A warm greeting and a laugh are guaranteed!

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. Thank you everyone for supporting this important part of our Congregation's mission to the people in our local community.

FEBRUARY MEETINGS: Church Elders Thursday February the **8th** 10.00am, **Property Committee meeting Feb. 12th 7.30pm** Both meetings will be held in the church foyer.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE: What a great start to the New Year with our fundraising. So far we have raised \$1659.05 by the Book & Painting Sale (\$688.45), Talent Trading Table (\$38.00) and Recycled Treasure Sale (\$932.00). A **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who has helped in any way. Please remember the Talent Trading Table goes on all year, so if you have anything you can sell at anytime, just bring it to church and place it on the table.

Hi there, Nell is back and she likes to thank everyone for their best wishes, cards and phone calls. It has been a long long time and I am not there yet, but it is coming along not perfect but the graft is still there. I would like you all to pray for our 17 year old grandson, Sam as he feels nauseous all the time. It is very worrying. Thank you. Nell Brethouwer.