



Weekly Newsletter

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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

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
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Holy Communion

10.30.00am Ocean Grove
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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Palm Sunday) Isaiah 50: 4-9a, Psalm 31: 9-16,
Philippians 2: 5-11, Mark 14: 1-15;47 or Mark 15: 1-39, (40-47)

NEXT WEEK (Easter Day) Acts 10: 34-43 or Isaiah 25: 6-9,
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 or Acts 10: 34-43,
John 20: 1-18 or Mark 16: 1-8

KEY VERSE

“While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, “I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me”

Mark 14: 18

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 FREINDSHIP GROUP met last Wednesday to hear a meaningful talk by Jeanette, about loneliness. Sometimes people can have a pleasant time alone, and other times they can be very sad. In her prayer following she asked Our Heavenly Father to give everyone His comfort and His love. We all enjoyed afternoon tea and look forward to our next meeting after the school holidays on April the 18th.

SAMMY STAMP group meets in the church hall this coming Wednesday 28th of March at 1.30pm to trim and sort used stamps for forwarding to Melbourne for sale to stamp dealers and private collectors. Please keep up the supply of used stamps. Leave them in the red box in the church porch. New helpers welcome to join us for a chat as we work. Phone Margaret Parry 5254 3208.

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

Asylum Seeker Event
Sunday April the 22nd
St Andrew's Uniting Church Portarlington
9.00am Church Service:
special focus on Refugees and Asylum Seeker issues
12.30pm Authentic Iraqi buffet style 2 course meal
In the church hall.
Prepared, cooked and served by Siham and Abdul.

After lunch guest speakers
Alison Corke and Para Paheer authors of
"The Power of Good Surviving Sri Lanka's Civil War"

Cost \$25 per person with prior bookings essential
Call Marilyn Bertram 5251 1102 or Joy Porter 5291 8177

EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Service (March 29th)

7.30pm at Ocean Grove Uniting Church

Good Friday Service (March 30th)

9.00am Barwon Heads Uniting Church

10.30am Ocean Grove Uniting Church

Easter Sunday (April 1st)

**Easter Dawn Service 6.00am
at the Ocean Grove Lookout**

Barwon Heads Uniting Church 9.00am

Ocean Grove Uniting Church 10.30am

**Please note that the newsletter will be prepared for printing
NEXT THURSDAY MARCH THE 29TH from 8.30am.**

Please have all your notices to the office by then.
Thank you The Editor.

Thank you to all our church friends for being there for us at this most difficult time. Special thanks to Barry for the beautiful music played and the flowers arranged at our son's funeral. Special thanks also to Robin and Velda, Judy and Rod and Joan who supported us on the day and days after. At the time of writing this I am back in hospital, so could not send individual notes of thanks.

Nell and Hank Brethouwer.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: The money that has been given for the months of January and February will now be passed onto Uniting World to help with the relieve efforts in Tonga. For March and April we will be supporting the Share Lenten 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: Fridays 10.30—11.30am in the church foyer for Friday March the 23rd, but will be in recess from Friday March the 30th (Good Friday) to Friday April the 13th inclusive and will resume on Friday 20th of April.

UCAF Backpacks for Primary School Children: do you remember that the UCAF collected various items for this worthy cause, They have decided to do it again this year and invite all members of the Congregation to participate. Each backpack requires a certain number of items so if you would like the list please see either Judy Greer or Dianne Sapwell for a copy. Donations of cash are also welcome so that items can be bought. The biggest expense will be the actual School bags. These bags can be secondhand but they must be in exceptional and very clean with all zips working i.e. they need to be as good as **NEW**.

LOAVES and FISHES PANTRY are asking for donations of **tins of soup, lentils, red kidney beans chick peas and oats**. If you can added these items to your personal grocery list it would be most appreciated. Thank you to everyone who gives on a regular basis. Your donations are truly appreciated.

UCAF—next meeting Monday March the 26th at 10.00am in the church foyer. Activity—**Annual Commitment Service** followed by a short general meeting. Please bring any item suitable for the Trading Table and a **small** plate of morning tea.

WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD— \$20 is now due from those who receive this daily devotions booklet. - 4 issues per year. Anyone who would like to receive this material please see Judy Greer.

A **BIG THANK YOU** to all members of Neil's "Team Terrific" who did such a great job at resurfacing the hall floor last Sunday afternoon. We only have a very small window of opportunity to sand, clean and re-coat the floor between users. Last Sunday was one such opportunity and so it was great to have such a willing team who completed the task. An excellent result and we are very grateful.

Rod Greer
Secretary Property Committee