



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
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 2) Acts 4: 32-35, Psalm 133
1 John 1: 1-2:2, John 20: 19-31

NEXT WEEK (Easter 3) Acts 3: 12-19, Psalm 4
1 John 3: 1-7, Luke 24: 36b-48

KEY VERSE

**“How good and pleasant it is
when brothers live together in unity!”**

Psalm 133:1

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 FREINDSHIP GROUP is looking forward to our next meeting after the school holidays on April the 18th.

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to all the people who donated to me for the World's Greatest Shave. I was really pleased to have reached just over \$600, well over my goal of \$350. Donations are still able to made until June the 30th.

Thanks again
Sarah Hobbs

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

PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING

TUESDAY APRIL THE 10TH

4.00PM

OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH FOYER.

WORKING BEE AT NEWINGTON CHURCH

SATURDAY APRIL THE 14TH

10.00AM—12.00PM

Aim is to trim under trees with chainsaws, brush cut grass and mow where needed. The Ocean Grove Property Committee could use a couple of brush cutters (they do have a chainsaw), a mower or two for rough grass, maybe pruning saws, secateurs and a bit of energy. Let me know if you can attend and what you can bring.

Rod Greer. Ocean Grove Property Committee Secretary

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 Merilyn Bertram 5251 1102 or Joy Porter 5291 8177

Recycled Treasure Sale
Saturday April the 21st
8.00am—12noon
At The Taj
Ocean Grove Uniting Church.
New Treasures arrive monthly!

Do you have something of interest
to include in the newsletter?

Then kindly send it to the church office by
8.30am Friday mornings.

Email address for the church on the front of this newsletter.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For March and April we will be supporting the Share Lenten Appeal. Appeal envelopes are available in the foyer next to the Retiring Offering Bowl if needed.

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, peas, carrots & peas, jars of pasta sauce. and oats. If you can add these items to your personal grocery list it would be most appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who gives on a regular basis, but please note that **tins of tomatoes, tuna, baked beans, spaghetti or packets of pasta are no longer needed until further notice.** Your donations are truly appreciated.

APRIL MEETINGS:

Property Committee Monday April the 9th 7.30pm in the church foyer

Elders meeting Thursday April the 12th 10.00am in the church foyer

Fundraising Committee Thursday April the 19th 10.00am in the church foyer. If you have any ideas on how to fundraise, either come to the meeting or pass your ideas onto Dianne Sapwell. Your ideas can be emailed to the church or will be accepted in writing.

Please take the time to check your details for the new directory. It is important that you alter any changes and place a tick beside your name so that the Elders are aware that you have confirmed the details printed. This list will be on the table near the fire extinguisher from today. Once details are checked then new photos of everyone will be taken!