

## Weekly Newsletter

## Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday May 27th 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

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The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

Service of Baptism

10.30am Ocean Grove

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Holy Communion

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Trinity Sunday) Isaiah 6: 1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3: 1-17

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 2) 1 Samuel 3: 1-10, (11-20), Psalm 139: 1-16, 13-18 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12. Mark 2: 23-3:6

#### **KEY VERSE**

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3: 16

#### **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.

PLEASE WRITE THIS INFO ON YOUR CALENDAR: A service of Baptism will be held on Sunday June the 3rd at 9.00am. The usual monthly service of Holy Communion will be conducted on the following Sunday June the 10th.

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

Greetings from the Lake District England.
Trust all is well in O.G. and B.H.. Having a great time in this green land! Except for our 1st few days in London (wet, windy and cold) we have enjoyed mild sunny days as we have travelled to Cambridge, The Broads in Norfolk, up through the Yorkshire Dales and currently in the beautiful Lake District. Have seen lots of beautiful villages and spring flowers and travelled many minor, narrow, winding roads. See you in a few weeks. Rod and Judy Greer.

# "No Waste Expo" Saturday 2nd June "World Environment Day" 1.00—4.00pm St Luke's Uniting Church Hall Cnr. Barrabool and Scenic Road Highton.

Each year, at least 8 million tonnes of plastic end up in the oceans, the equivalent of a full garbage truck every minute!

Presenting practical solutions to our excessive waste through:

Mending, remanufacturing, mindful shopping, repurposing, alternatives and change.

Would anyone like to join me in the Act for Peace Ration Challenge for 2018?

This year the Act for Peace relief workers have extra strain on their resources with the current need in Gaza as well as continuing support for the Syrian Refugees in the Jordan Camps.

Just one week on refugee rations is such a small sacrifice compared with the horrors and deprivation refugees and displaced people face in our world.

For a healthy person to participate in the Ration Challenge, it is a valuable experience. It makes one realise many of us are so privileged to have choices in how we live and what we like to eat. For a week we sample a little of what it is like to have limited choices.

I can say from participating previously, the food available is quite satisfying in that I never felt hungry, I realised that I did not require as much, and I did lose some unwanted kilos!. I am very grateful for the support I have received in the past from family and friends, who have encouraged me and the AFP work in helping refugees.

If you would like to participate or know more please call me on 5250 3789.

Thank you. God bless you all. Joan Calcutt.

#### **OCEAN GROVE NEWS**

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For the months of May and June we will be supporting the Mirabel Foundation. Mirabel assists children who have been orphaned, or abandoned due to parental illicit drug use and are now in the care of extended family. (kinship care). Their mission is to break the destructive cycle of addiction.

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) From May the 24th until June the 8th please contact Robin Munro 4202 0323.

**FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT:** Fridays 10.30—11.30am in the church foyer Friday mornings.

**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 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 added 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.

**UCAF Meeting**—Monday May the 28th 10.00am in the church foyer. Hopefully the guest speaker will be Phil Threwlis from Uniting Live Well.

**St. Leonards UCAF** have invited our Congregation to their Birthday celebrations on Monday May the 28th at 2.00pm in the church hall, Dudley Parade St. Leonards. The Queenscliff Ecumenical Choir will sing a mixture of religious and popular songs followed by a delicious afternoon tea. ESVP Denis McLaverty on 5257 1969