

## Weekly Newsletter

### Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday September 16th 2018

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# A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today. God's richest blessings to you all.

9.00am Barwon Heads

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

#### SERVICES TODAY SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

5.00pm Barwon Heads

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

Contemporary Service

10.30am Ocean Grove 10.30.00am Ocean Grove

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#### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 17) Proverbs 31: 10-31, Psalm 19 James 3: 1-12, Mark 8: 27-38

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 17) Proverbs 31: 10-31, Psalm 1 James 3: 13-4:3, 7-8a, Mark 9: 30-37

#### **KEY VERSE**

"What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul?"

Mark 8: 36

#### **BARWON HEADS NEWS**

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oquc107@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 Fav will get back to you.

150th ANNIVERSARY SERVICE: The Reverend Bruce Watson, Chair of Port Phillip West Presbytery, will share a message of celebration at this special service on Sunday October 7th. Spread the word about the service among your family, friends, members of the local community and anyone who has been associated with our Church over its long history. Let's make it an occasion to remember.

**OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP** met on Wednesday 5th September and appreciated Cathy's talk on the Prayer of St. Francis (Hymn: Make me a Channel of your Peace) we discussed 10 significant words from the hymn, matching them with verses from the Gospels and from 2 Corinthians, together with the singing of some relevant hymns. It was an enjoyable, meditative time and we learnt a lot. Afternoon tea and a chat followed. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 19th September at 1.30pm in the Vestry when we look forward to Jeannette's talk.

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

I advise that this afternoon (Tuesday 11th September) Bruce Prewer's life of ministry and loving came to its conclusion. Members of the family have kept vigil with him over that last days and were with him at the end. Please keep Marie, David, Christine, Martin and the rest of the family in your prayers. Perhaps offer a particular prayer for Alice as she tries to make arrangements to come home from London.

The Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Bruce Prewer will be held at St. Andrew's Uniting Church, Sunbury, on Monday 17th September, commencing at 10.30am

Blessinas

Helen Hall, Sunbury Uniting Church.

#### DATES FOR CALENDARS

#### Thursday October the 11th 10.30am

Ocean Grove Church Foyer Dementia Information session

#### Thursday October the 18th 2.00pm

Ocean Grove Church Service of Holy Communion.

#### Sunday October 28th 2.30-4.00pm

"Music for a Warming World"

A fully immersing musical and visual experience outlining the climate change issues facing our world and the glimmers of hope that can emerge.

St Andrew's UCA Portarlington
Suggested donation \$15 includes afternoon tea.
Tickets Barry Ruler 5259 3304

#### "Pick my Project"

Uniting Barwon community projects need your votes to receive vital funding for 4 projects.

Grovedale Community Safety, Health and Emergency Relief Project, Winchelsea and District Community Safety, Health and Emergency Relief Project, Barwon family budgeting and bill management project and Barwon Education Expenses Project.

Voting is quick and simple, and open until 5.00pm Monday September 17th. You will need to go to **pickmyproject.vic.gov.au** and pick the Uniting Barwon project ideas and help make them a reality.

You can only vote for 3 projects but the more votes that are received for these vital projects the better chance we have of receiving vital funding.

Need help with voting? Contact

**Lewis on 4210 1113 at Uniting Barwon Grovedale** or drop into your local library or Neighbourhood House for assistance.

You can also ring Jenny Harwood on 0427 045 734 for assistance.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ON
SUNDAY OCTOBER THE 7TH
THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE SERVICE OF WORSHIP FOR THE PARISH.

WE WILL ALL BE WORSHIPPING AT BARWON HEADS UNTING CHURCH AT 10.30AM TO CELEBRATE THEIR 15OTH ANNIVERSARY.

#### **OCEAN GROVE NEWS**

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For July & August we supported the Uniting Winter Share Appeal and \$182.40 was raised. For September and October we will be supporting Frontier Services. Thank you for your generosity.

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) call Helen Baum on 5255 1487

**FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT:** Fridays 10.30—11.30am in the church foyer. Come for a cuppa, a chat and a laugh!

**KNITTING CIRCLE:** meets every Friday at 9.30am in the church foyer. Bring your own knitting, or come and be inspired by what others are doing. Plenty of needles, wool and patterns available.

FAVOURITE HYMN SUNDAY in October: Requests for hymns to be sung can be made by writing them down with your name and placing in the box marked accordingly on the Trading Table. If the hymn is not in TIS it would be helpful to either supply the words and music if possible. On the day there will be an opportunity for you to say why this is your favourite hymn. Jong Soo and the Band would like all hymns to be in by September 23rd, so that the service can be planned.

**UCAF SCHOOL BACKPACK PROJECT:** a final thank you to all who contributed either financially or with listed school requisites to our School Backpack Project. We have prepared 10 backpacks to go to children in the Pacific Islands. Including the actual bags each pack costs about \$50 as all items needed to be new. So thanks everyone for your generosity.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the recent Spring Fashion Parade. The net profit for the day was \$1,179.86 which is a wonderful effort.

**YOU MAY HAVE READ** on the Barwon Heads news page recently that we are celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Methodist/Uniting worship on Sunday October the 7th at 10.30am. A very warm welcome is extended to all members of the Ocean Grove Congregation to join us for this special service. A light lunch will be served. Due to the fact that there will be no service of worship at ocean Grove on that day, if you would to attend and need transport please add your name to the list on the sheet in the foyer. For catering purposes please also add your name as attending.

**CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT:** at the meeting on Thursday 6th September we welcomed new Councillors Marjorie Barry and reappointed Ralph Scott. Thanks were recorded to retiring Councillors Neil Derrick and Lorna Dickson. Some of the matters for discussion included: Defibrillator Training, planning for the sale of the Newington property, the church sound system (nearly complete) and the steps to be taken in making a policy decision relating to same sex marriage on our Church property.