

## Weekly Newsletter

### Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday October 21st 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

**5.00pm** Barwon Heads 9.30am Barwon Heads Mr. Ian Cover Ms. Jean Murray

Contemporary Service

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

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The Reverend Doctor Jong So "Favourite Hymn Service"

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 22)
Job 38: 1-7, (34-41), Psalm 104: 1-9, 24, 35c
Hebrews 5: 1-10, Mark 10: 35-45

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 23) Job 42: 1-6, 10-17, Psalm 34: 1-8, (19-22) Hebrews 7: 23-28, Mark 10: 46-52

#### **KEY VERSE**

"He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants"
Psalm 104:4

#### **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.

**PRAISE THE LORD!** What a wonderful day we shared on the occasion of our 150th Anniversary service on Sunday October the 7th. God blessed us with beautiful weather, a splendid attendance and an uplifting service. And there was more to follow with a delightful lunch and joyful fellowship in the hall, highlighted by Max and Gwen Cooper and Win O'Brien cutting an amazing birthday cake prepared by Leanne Grills. Thank you to everyone who played a part in the service and in the kitchen. And remember those three words: Gratitude, Encouragement and Challenge.

**STREET STALLS:** The date is Saturday November the 3rd from 9.00am—11.00am. An important fundraising event, the stalls offer cakes, biscuits and slices (an a few lovely sausage rolls if you can get before they sell out!), jams and preserves and plants. Please start preparing contributions, especially the "green thumbs" now that Spring has arrived. As well as items to sell, we always need some early starters to set up cabanas and tables and to help pack up at the end.

**WELCOME** to Pastor John Russell who joins lan Cover for a conversation during the 5.00pm service today. John has some great stories to share about community outreach including his Church partnering with a local football club. As always, the service will be followed by a meal in the hall.

**GAT PROJECTS:** Time has run out for us to run our Annual Trivia Night this year, but we are still fundraising through the Trading Table in the hall. Check out the jams and preserves on offer at morning tea. And we also welcome the return of coin jars you might have been filling at home. Please bring your jars to church any Sunday between now and the end of November.

**PRAY FOR VCE STUDENTS** preparing for their exams and, in the case of Rachael Hobbs, they start today. Rachael is doing her saxophone exam in Melbourne and we pray she hits the right notes!

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

#### WHAT A BUSY DAY SUNDAY OCTOBER THE 28TH IS!

You can
Go to East Geelong Uniting Church for
HYMNS WE LOVE TO SING
2.00—3.30pm
Entry God coin

Or visit
St Andrew's UCA Portarlington and
Experience "Music for a Warming World"
2.30—4.00pm
Suggested donation \$15 includes afternoon tea

Or make your way to Barwon Heads for Barwon Heads Chorale Concert 2.30pm
Barwon Heads Community Hall To listen to "Kiazma Piano Duo"
Call 0439 061 475 for bookings and cost.

"Went to Church at Ocean Grove Uniting on Sunday October the 14th with Mum.

Quite a few years since I was there last—everything looked much the same, although I think the guy in charge was different—a bit smaller, than James, but was wearing the same sort of long white dress.

A lot of talking and some singing, then Jong Soo blessed each one of us with a gentle pat and a short prayer. Home in time for Mum to watch "Songs of Praise" while I had a nice snooze before lunch."

#### STUDY LEAVE

Jong Soo begins Study Leave on Tuesday October the 30th and will return to work on Wednesday November the 14th. If you have any urgent Pastoral concerns please contact an Elder in your church.

#### **OCEAN GROVE NEWS**

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For September and October we will be supporting Frontier Services. Please give as you are able.

**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!

**UCAF NEWS:** the meeting on the 22nd of October will be the Annual General Meeting and Election of Office bearers. If you are subscribing to the Network please bring your \$15 to give to Joan Billington. The Bellarine Combined Luncheon will be on the 28th of November at East Geelong.

CHURCH COUNCIL met on Thursday October the 4th and approved the purchasing of the required equipment for the new hearing loop. It is hoped that within a very short time, everyone will be able to hear. The Councillors also met with Heather Loader from the Presbytery of Port Philip West to begin the process of selling the Newington Property. We have found out that this is not going to happen over night and there are many forms to complete. It looks like Councillors will be busy over the coming months, so if your are asked for your opinion on some Mission ideas for the future please feel free to submit your ideas.

**THANK YOU:** Ian Cover (Chairperson of Barwon Heads Church Council) wishes to sincerely thank all the members of our Congregation who "crossed" the bridge" to participate in the 150th Anniversary Celebrations last Sunday. "It was a wonderful occasion and we were blessed by God's grace and love."

Thank you lan Cover.

#### Dear Friends,

We are very grateful for your prayers, support and expressions of concern over recent weeks and give thanks that the surgery has been so successful. Recovery is really good, slow but sure. Rehab. exercises have started so life should gradually return to normal.

With our love

Kaye and Helen Baum.

**NEW DIRECTORY:** You should have all received your copy of the 2018 directory by now. If you find any errors would you kindly let Dianne Sapwell know so that amendments can be published in this newsletter. It would be beneficial if they were either emailed to the church or written down and left in the newsletter folder under the clock in the foyer.