

# Weekly Newsletter

# Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia

### Sunday November 25th 2018

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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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Holy Communion

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#### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 27) 2 Samuel 23: 1-7, Psalm 132: 1-12, (13-18) Revelation 1: 4b-8, John 18: 33-37

NEXT WEEK (First Sunday of Advent) Jeremiah 33: 14-16. Psalm 25:1-10. 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13. Luke 21: 25-36

#### **KEY VERSE**

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty." Revelations 1: 8

#### **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.

**COMMUNITY CAROLS:** The Combined Churches of Barwon Heads invite everyone to the Community Hall for the annual Christmas Carols service on **Sunday December the 16th starting at 6.30pm.** Donations will be collected on the night to aid the Christmas Bowl appeal.

HELP IS REQUIRED from 10.00am to set up the Community hall for the Carol Service that evening.

**GST 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.

**OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP** met last Wednesday to hear Mary Sullivan's inspiring talk about being a Christian. It began early when she was attending church and youth groups, and is now still an important part of her life. Our last meeting for the year will be a Carols afternoon on Wednesday December the 5th.

**STREET STALLS:** A total of \$1885.80 was raised at the recent street stalls, just 55 cents less than last year! A great effort thanks to everyone who assisted.

**JANUARY FETE:** Our biggest fundraising event is less than two months away. That's right, it's on **Saturday January the 13th at 3.00pm.** Thanks to Ken and Faye McLean who have started the organisational ball rolling. A list of activities/convenors/helpers will be placed in the hall so please write your name where you can help. Family members and friends are always welcome to assist.

**THE WAGG FAMILY** sent a card expressing thanks and appreciation after their mother Cynthia's recent memorial service at the church. Cynthia was muchloved around Barwon Heads and among our Congregation.

**BEACH MISSION:** The SUFM Team will be residence next weekend (24-25 November) to plan their Summer activities. Say hello to the new team leaders Megan and Andrew when they join us for worship next Sunday at 9.00am and keep them in your prayers.

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

### SUNDAY DECEMBER THE 2ND At 2.00PM OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT BY THE U3A GEELONG CHOIR.

# TICKETS \$10 Includes AFTERNOON TEA.

Bring your family and friends and be entertained by this talented Choir.

#### INDUCTION OF THE REVEREND TUPE IOELU

Please pop Saturday December the 8th at 2.00pm into your diary, as this is the designated time and date of the Induction of Tupe.

It will be a wonderful time of celebration as we welcome Tupe and his family into our community and we hope to have as many friends as possible at this happy event.

Wesley Uniting Church

### DO YOU LIKE TO HEAR THE SOUND OF SMALL CHILDREN SINGING!

Then you are most welcome to join the Choir and the children and parents of the Playgroup that meet in the church hall on

FRIDAY DECEMBER THE 7TH AT 10.30AM And then stay for a cuppa in the church foyer.

#### **OCEAN GROVE NEWS**

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For November and December will be for the Christmas Bowl Appeal. The amount to be sent to Frontier Services was \$251.40

**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!

**NEW DIRECTORY:** Only one change to be made: In our extended Church Family Section, please change Pat Carter's details to read: Bupa Barrabool Road, 55 Barrabool Road, Belmont 3216 Phone 5244 1037

**HEARING LOOP:** Thanks to the efforts of both Robert Quarrell and Geoff Naylor the church now has a "hearing loop" facility. If you would like to take advantage of either headphones or a receiver that can be tuned into your own hearing aids, have a chat to Robert or Geoff on a Sunday Morning. It might be wise to come a bit early if your are using this system for the 1st time so that you are able to have the devices fitted and explained.

A REMINDER: if at any time you move furniture from one place to another, would you kindly ensure that it is returned to where you got it from.

#### RECENT CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING POINTS TO NOTE:

A Defibrillator Training session has been arranged for **Thursday November the 29th at 10.00am** 

Same Sex Marriage Policy will be decided at the next Congregational meeting, but you will all receive information in regards to this matter prior to the meeting.

In February 2019 Church Council meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 4.30pm and Elders will meet on the 1st at 10.30am.

**UCAF:** The last meeting for this year will be on Monday the 26th of November at 10.00am in the church where we will have a Christmas Devotion and Carol Singing followed by morning tea in the foyer. Members please bring a small plate of "Christmas Fare". All welcome.