

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday February 10th 2019

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

SERVICES TODAY

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9.00am Barwon Heads Ms. Jean Murray 9.00am Barwon Heads Ms. Jean Murray

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LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Epiphany 5) Isaiah 6: 1-8, (9-13), Psalm 138 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11, Luke 5: 1-11

NEXT WEEK (Epiphany 6) Jeremiah 17: 5-10, Psalm 1 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20, Luke 6: 17-26

KEY VERSE

"So they pulled their boats up on shore left everything and followed him."

Luke 5: 11

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 5.00PM Contemporary Service planned for next Sunday the 17th of February will not take place. Jean Murray will lead worship at 9.00am as usual. Our first 5.00pm service for the year will be held on Sunday March the 17th.

All welcome to morning tea in the church hall after the service

PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING

TUESDAY FEBRUAY THE 19TH 4.00PM IN THE FOYER OF THE OCEAN GROVE CHURCH.

NEW ADDRESS FOR THE PARK FAMILY 53 Grange Boulevard Bundoora Victoria 3083

OCEAN GROVE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

This meeting will be held after church on **Sunday 17th February 2019** in the church hall.

We will also have a **shared lunch** on that day.

LITERARY EVENT

"A story of secrets, refuge, loves lost and found."

Katherine Johnson

Author "Matryoshka"

5.00pm Sunday 17th February

Uniting Church, Hesse St. Queenscliff.

Tickets \$30.00 (Bookings essential)

Fundraising for Refugees.

Call Di 5256 1004 or Lyn 5255 2638 or Jan 5258 2854

Complimentary drink and finger food served

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

hosted by the Bellarine Church of Christ, 17 Tareeda Way, Ocean Grove Friday 1st March at 10.00am.

The theme of the service is "Come– Everything is Ready" and it has been prepared by the Women of Slovenia.

All are welcome to attend.

Lord, make me an instrument of your tomorrow

Where there are cuts to aid, let me give generously;
Where growth is king and consumption all, let me treasure simplicity;
Where our planet suffers to breaking point, let me defend your creation;
Where there is slogan, sound byte and spin doctoring, let me speak truth;
Where leaders are led by opinion polls, let me fix my eyes on you;
Where there is voter cynicism and apathy, let me take action to overcome.

O Divine Master, grant that I may seek
Not so much to live the dream, as to live your will,
Not to be distracted by my smart phone, as to be immersed in your word,
Not to reach 10,000 followers, as to leave my net and follow you
For it is what looks foolish to the world that you reveal wisdom,
It is in our weakness that we discover strength,
It is in darkness that your light shines most bright.

Amen.

Prayer by Emma Wyndham Chalmers, From Tear's Advocacy Team. Adapted from St. Francis' peace prayer.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For November and December the Retiring Offering was for the **Christmas Bowl Appeal**. The amount raised was **\$1585.80**. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously.

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: 10.30am in the church foyer. Come for a chat and coffee and most probably a laugh! All welcome. Please note there will be no Coffee and Chat on Friday 1st March due to the Annual World Day of Prayer Service.

MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY:

Church Council Thursday February the 14th 4.30pm in the church foyer.

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UCAF SCHOOL BACKPACK PROJECT: the UCAF has decided to support this project again in 2019. A complete list of items required will be available soon however with school commencing for the year you may see some good "specials" such as packets of coloured pencils, pens (red, black and blue), crayons, glue sticks, textas, sharpeners, erasers, lunch boxes and drink bottles which can be left in the labelled basket in the church foyer. Monetary donations for the purchase of items would also be welcome and can be given to Judy Greer or Robin Munro. There is an insert in this newsletter that you may like to "stick" on your fridge so that you have a complete idea of what is needed to fill a backpack.

RECYCLED TREASURE SALE, yes how quickly does the 3rd Saturday of the month come around! All happening next Friday February the 15th with setting up from 12noon and then selling on the Saturday February the 16th from 8.00am—12noon. Please make an effort to give some time to this fundraising effort.