



# Weekly Newsletter

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

## SERVICES TODAY

**5.00pm** Barwon Heads  
Contemporary Service followed by  
a shared meal.

10.30am Ocean Grove  
The Reverend Robert Thomas

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
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## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Easter 5)  
Acts 11: 1-18, Psalm 148  
Revelation 21: 1-6, John 13: 31-35

NEXT WEEK (Easter 6)  
Acts 16: 9-15, Psalm 67  
Revelation 21: 10, 22-22:5, John 14: 23-29 or John 5: 1-9

## KEY VERSE

**"He said to me: "it is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life."**

**Revelation 21: 6**

## **BARWON HEADS NEWS**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS:** Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email [oguc107@gmail.com](mailto: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 Faye on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377 where you can leave a message and Faye will get back to you.

**WITH MORE NEW MEMBERS** our Ladies Friendship Group met again last Wednesday. We heard Faye speak about a young choir from Uganda, who came out to Australia. We enjoyed learning about them and listening to their beautiful singing. We finished up with afternoon tea and a happy chat.

**OUR IGA "POINTS"** that we convert into dollars to spend on foods for Christmas hampers for people in need have passed 9,000 points. We have another six months to reach our target of 20,000 which will give us \$150 to spend. Please remember to show your Uniting Church keytag whenever you shop at Barwon Heads IGA. If you need a new keytag or have neighbours, friends, family who would use one of our keytags to help assist people in need through a church welfare agency in Geelong, please see Margaret Parry or call her on 5254 3208.

**LOOKING AHEAD** to Sunday the 9th of June, when the Combined Churches of Barwon Heads will hold a Pentecost Service at All Saints Anglican Church at 7.00pm. Please note the date (which is the Sunday of the Queen's Birthday Long Weekend and plan to attend if you can. Nearer the time of the service we will be looking for people to take a reading part in the conduct of the service.

**All welcome to morning tea  
in the Church Hall after the Service.**

## **PARISH EXECUTIVE MEETING**

**MONDAY MAY 20TH  
4.00PM  
IN THE FOYER OF THE OCEAN GROVE CHURCH**

**Large** pieces of furniture  
can no longer be accepted by the Ocean  
Grove Church for their  
Recycled Treasure Sales.

If you have furniture you need to get rid of  
please call Encompass (a not for profit  
organisation in Geelong) who will come and  
take it away.

Their phone number is 5222 3377

Do you have a spare 3 hours a week, fortnight or monthly, then  
you may consider volunteering at the Ocean Grove Uniting  
Church Outreach Centre Opportunity Shop  
*the dove.*

The shop is open from 10.00am—4.00pm weekdays, 10.00am—  
1.00pm Saturdays and if you volunteer you can work either in the  
morning (10.00am—1.00pm) or the afternoon (1.00pm—4.00pm).

If interested, feel free to call Patricia Beesley on 5291 8364.

Volunteering is very satisfying and a great way to meet new  
people.

Do you know your hymns?

Golfer's Hymn—There is a green hill far away.

Politician's Hymn—Standing on the Promises

Gossip's Hymn—Pass it on

Electrician's Hymn—Send the Light

And for those who speed on the Highway

40kph—God will take care of You

60kph—Nearer my God to Thee

90kph—This World is not my home

100kph—Lord, I'm coming Home

110kph—Precious Memories

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For May and June we will be supporting the Share Winter Appeal. The amount raised for the Share Lenten Appeal was \$618.70

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) call Robin Munro 4202 0323

**FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT:** 10.30am in the church foyer. Come for a chat and coffee and most probably a laugh! All welcome.

**UCAF NEWS:** Our May meeting will be on Monday May the 27th at 10.00am in the church foyer. A representative from the Geelong Art Gallery will give a presentation about some famous paintings, which hopefully develop our artistic appreciation! Please bring a small plate for morning tea. All welcome.

**THANK YOU:** Meriel and I would like to thank all our church family, who have so kindly supported us in recent times. Your cards, phone and text messages; your visits; your taxi service and all the yummy food etc. has been very much appreciated and overwhelming. We are now back home together after Meriel's 4 week respite stay in Kensington Grange Leopold and my 2 and a half stint in St. John of God hospital. Meriel has also had cancers removed from her face last week. My progress has been much slower than I would have liked, but hopefully the end is in sight. Know that we value all your support, prayers and love. Meriel and Neil Derrick.

### **REQUEST FROM JOAN BILLINGTON:**

Has anybody got an old Pressure Cooker they don't need any more? If so would you please contact me on 5255 1938

**MONTHLY ROSTERS:** it would be greatly appreciated by Dianne Sapwell if you could help out with some of the small tasks required to ensure that the weekly Sunday Service runs smoothly. There is a pressing need for people to prepare the Sacraments for Holy Communion (which can be done on the Saturday prior to the 1st Sunday of the month), the serving of tea and coffee after worship, and being that person who welcomes everyone, reads the notices and begins the Service. Maybe you would like to read the Bible Readings, welcome people at the door, take up the offering, count the offering after the Service or go on the roster for Prayers of the People. Lots of opportunities for everyone to participate!