

# Weekly Newsletter

## Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia Sunday October 27th 2019

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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**

9.00am Barwon Heads
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#### LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 20) Joel 2: 23-32, Psalm 65 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18, Luke 18: 9-14

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 21)

Habakkuk 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4, Psalm 119: 137-144 2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12, Luke 19: 1-10

#### **KEY VERSE**

"......For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 18: 14b

#### **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 anyone would like to prayer, could you please contact Merilyn Hanson on 0438 398 506, and she will add you to our prayer chain. This contact is only temporary, as Fay Greaves who is our contact has been seriously ill and after two operations for bleeding on her brain is now in rehab in Caulfield. We continue to uphold Fay in our thoughts and prayers. We praise God for the amazing progress Fay has shown.

**STREET STALLS:** This annual fundraising activity will take place **next Saturday November the 2nd from 9.00am.** Thanks to everyone who is preparing a contribution so we can offer cakes, biscuits and slices (and a few lovely sausage rolls if you can get them before they sell out), jams and preserves. We also need helpers to set up the cabanas and tables and to help pack up at the end.

**MOWING:** The church grounds have been spruced up recently thanks to our new team from Gateways Gardening Geelong. An initiative of Gateways Support Services, the team has been developed to provide work experience and create a pathway to employment for adults with a disability. Say hello to Andy and the team if you see them in action.

**OUR LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will meet again on Wednesday 6th November at 1.30pm.

**CROSSLIGHT**: The October issue of Crosslight magazine is available in the church porch and in the hall. Among topics dealt with in this issue are prayer and praying, the work of a prison chaplain, the reality of domestic violence, one woman's experience of depression, information about a new Mental Health Kit prepared by Synod Disability Inclusion Advocate Andy Calder to help Congregations to be more understanding of those with mental health issues and sources of help and many more topics. Pick up a copy today.

**COMBINED SERVICE:** Last Sunday's combined service at 5.00pm with our friends from the Anglican and Catholic Churches was a wonderful occasion both in terms of worship and fellowship. A special "thank you" to the chefs for the lovely dinner.

**NEW PROJECTOR:** Look for new, brighter images on the screen today thanks to the installation of a our new projector. It has been supported by s successful application to the Simpson Bequest Fund.

**RACHEL HOBBS** begins her final Year 12 school examinations on October the 30th. Please keep her in your prayers.

CHAOTICA
Jack Bayley Art Exhibition
11th– 30th November 2019
Opening Night
Monday November 11th
5.00—7.00pm
Rachinger Gallery
Eastern Hub Community Centre
285a McKillop Street
East Geelong

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA Australian Chamber Choir Nov. 3rd 3.00pm Tickets \$50,/45/40 at the door

A Country Ramble November 9th
Luxury Coach departs 9.00am returns 4.00pm
3 Concerts, morning tea and Lunch
Cost \$95/85
Details and bookings
Call Jeannette 0408 305 868

OXFAM BOOK SALE
SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
OCEAN GROVE UNITING CHURCH
9.00AM—1.00PM
All new books
Current publications

#### **OCEAN GROVE NEWS**

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For September and October we will be supporting Uniting. Thank you to all who give so generously.

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

**RECYCLED TREASURE SALE:** Thank you to all who helped with this fundraiser. The amount raised was \$522.50. Next sale Saturday November the 16th the last one for the year.

**HAND-MADE GREETING CARDS** are now available on the Trading Table in the foyer. Each card is blank inside for your own message, and fits into a standard C6 post office preferred envelope. Cost \$1.00 each.

**WANTED BY PETER HAWTHORNE** black gardening pot for cuttings. If you have any to spare please call Peter on 0407 808 633.

**THE UCAF AGM** will be held at our next meeting on Monday the 28th of October at 10.00am in the church foyer. Please let Robin or Judy know if you would be interested in taking up an office bearer position. All positions are up for grabs!. Please bring a small plate of morning tea to share. The next meeting in November is the Christmas Service and lunch.

**NEW ADDRESS FOR ROD AND JUDY GREER:** 14B Acacia Crescent, Ocean Grove Phone numbers remain the same. Kindly change the details in your directory.

PASTORAL CARE NETWORK TEAM AND ELDERS MEETING: Thursday November the 7th 10.00 in the church fover.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING:** Thursday November the 21st 4.30pm in the church foyer.

IN CASE YOU ARE WONDERING the Joint Nominating Committee have begun to meet to discuss the way forward in relation to calling a new Minister. This will not be an easy quick process, but you will be kept informed of developments as they happen.