



Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Ocean Grove,
Uniting Church in Australia

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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 Robert Thomas
Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Robert Thomas
Holy Communion

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Bob Thomas

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Robert Thomas
Baptism of Georgia Belle Roberts

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS 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

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 22)
Haggai 1: 15b—2:9, Psalm 145: 1-5, 17-21 or Psalm 98
2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17, Luke 20: 27-38

KEY VERSE

**For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost”
Luke 19: 10**

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Di-
anne 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 Marilyn Hanson on 0438 398 506, and she will add you to our
prayer chain.

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.

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.

REPORT ON OUR FRIEND FAY GREAVES: Fay continues to gain
strength, stamina and stability. She is looking good and has gained
some weight. She has enjoyed going out—particularly to her daughter
Di's home. Nice for her to see the sunshine. She seems happier and
more positive over all. As a church family we continue to send our love
and prayers.

All welcome to morning tea

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 Victoria

OXFAM BOOK SALE SATURDAY

30TH NOVEMBER

OCEAN GROVE
UNITING CHURCH
9.00AM—1.00PM
All new books
Current publications

Rotary Ocean Grove

Invites you to a free Community Forum on
Identifying Family Violence

Tuesday 19th November 7.00pm—8.30pm

The Pavilion, Shell Road Ocean Grove

Supper provided.

All welcome.

Representatives from the Sexual Assault and Family Violence
Centre and Victoria Police will be presenting information on
identifying family violence and the services available for
assistance.

For more info visit www.rotaryoceangrove.org.au

MISSION CONVERSATION

Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove Uniting Churches

5.00pm Sunday 8th December

Ocean Grove Uniting Church.

Please join us for a shared meal and conversation about our future
together. This will be an opportunity to share our achievements, our
dreams and to plan how we do mission together.

Bring your stories, your hopes and your ideas.

Facilitated by Will Nicholas (St. David's Newtown) and Charles Gallacher
(Queenscliff) on behalf of the Presbytery of Port Philip West and the
Joint Nominating team reps from Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove.

This is part of the process of calling a Minister. Your input will help to
give a picture of our Ministry needs and shape the leadership qualities
that we seek in future Ministry.

Shared meal at 5.00pm (Please bring a plate of finger food for sharing)
followed by a facilitated conversation from about 6.00pm.

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: Next sale Saturday November the 16th the last one for the year.

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

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. **Please read the notice on page three and add the info to your calendars.**

CARPARK CONSTRUCTION: After initially having our application to construct the carpark refused by Property Services of Synod we have had several meetings to show them that our plans are sound, affordable and meet all requirements. They have now come on board and are positive to us resubmitting an amended plan to include asphalt on the disabled access parking. Now we amend the plans and resubmit, but this time with a lot more support within Property Services. The process is now underway. As for a time line, I am hopeful that we can get some digging done early in 2020! Rod Greer. Chairperson Property Committee.

UCAF NEWS: At our AGM last Monday the following have been re-appointed to office for the next year: President Judy Greer, Secretary Robin Munro and Treasurer Marjorie Barry. Our next activity will be the **Annual Combined Bellarine UCAF Christmas Service and Luncheon** which we are hosting. The church service will commence at 11.15am followed by lunch in the hall to be served at 12.30pm. The cost of lunch is \$27.95 (2 courses) per person with RSVP and payment by Friday 13th November to Robin Munro or Judy Greer. All welcome to this annual event.

SCHOOL BACKPACK PROJECT: Sincere thanks to all who contributed to this project. This year we have been able to send 6 packed bags to the Mission Liaison Group in Melbourne for distribution to children in the Pacific Islands.