



# Newsletter

Ocean Grove,  
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Sunday January 17th 2021

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## **UCAF IS BACK AGAIN!**

Members please note a meeting will be held on Monday January the 25th at 10.00am.

We will meet in the church to allow for social distancing and we will be required to wear masks.

At this meeting we will have our Annual General Meeting and Election of Office Bearers, held over from last October.

We will also do some forward planning for our activities for 2021.

Unfortunately we will **NOT** be serving our usual morning tea at this stage!

Contact Judy Greer or Robin Munro if you would like to know more about this group.

New members are most welcome.

## **Bob Thomas is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting or better know as Church on Computer!**

Join the Ocean Grove Congregation by  
<https://zoom.us/j/2978521634?pwd=K01ZnTUxiYzYwRFIVLOtsQW5oZz09>

Meeting ID: 297 852 1634

Passcode 988040

### COFFEE CUP CHALLENGE

By making a small sacrifice regularly you can make a big difference for people in need.

On Pancake Day (or around that date) hopefully we will be able to come together and celebrate with pancakes for morning tea and pool our "sacrifices" together. Each donation will be placed into a Coffee Cup challenge collection.

All funds raised by Share will support people experiencing crisis, vulnerability and disadvantage.

We are registered us so please start "drinking and donating"

### HOW GOOD IS IT TO ALL GATHER IN THE CHURCH FOR WORSHIP!

We are now able to have up to 150 people at each service, so it is time to encourage anyone you know to come and be with us on any Sunday at 10.30am.

When entering the church you are requested to hand sanitise, and place your offering in the bowl near the door.

Please remember that social distancing for seating remains in place. Therefore we ask that a restriction of "one family" per pew be adhered to.

### **DO YOU NEED A TODDLER'S WALKER OR A SCOOTER?**

Then please contact Bob on 0414 266 645  
He can provide one for you.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY 2021  
And FEBRUARY 2021

January 17th Epiphany 2

1 Samuel 3: 1-10, (11-20), Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18  
1 Corinthians 6: 12-20, John 1: 43-51

**Bible Reader: Carol Naylor**

**Prayers for the People: Judy Greer**

January 24th Epiphany 3

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10, Psalm 62: 5-12,  
1 Corinthians 7: 29-31, Mark 1: 14-20

**Bible Reader: Rod Greer**

**Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas**

January 31st Epiphany 4

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20, Psalm 111,  
1 Corinthians 8: 1-12, Mark 2 22-40

**Bible Reader: Pat Reid**

**Prayers for the People: Dianne Sapwell**

February 7th Epiphany 5

Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c,  
1 Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1: 29-39

**KEY VERSE FOR THE WEEK**

**“O Lord, you have searched me and you know me.”**

**Psalm 139: 1**

**SAD NEWS**

Marie Prewer, wife of Bruce Prewer  
Passed away on the 27th of December 2020.

Her service was held at  
St. Andrew's Uniting Church, Sunbury  
on Monday January the 4th at 10.30am

## ANNUAL REPORTS

Yes the year is drawing to close and it is time to put pen to paper and prepare the Annual Reports.

You may be wondering what you can include in your report as there does not seem much to say, but once you start thinking it may surprise you to find that although this past year has been one we will all never forget, we must make sure that in the future 2020 was a year that has changed our way of life, and deserves being remembered.

**Thanks Rod Greer, yours in the 1st report handed in!**

## CHANGED ANY CONTACT DETAILS?

If you have changed your address, phone numbers, or email address would you kindly send the details to Dianne Sapwell via the church email address (on the front page of the newsletter).

## FOR SALE

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