



Newsletter

Ocean Grove,
Uniting Church in Australia
Sunday April 18th 2021

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Please note that there was a mistake made on the members of the original *dove* Committee. Robin Munro should have been included. Apologies Robin

GARDEN DELIGHTS
"A celebration of the design and evolution of
Cloudhill Garden,
With a touch of Chelsea Flower Show from Willie Wildlife Sculptures and Botanica Tours"

Paintings by Jo Reitze
Opening May 1st 2-4.00pm
Exhibition April 30th—May 30th 2021
Friday—Sunday 10.00am—4.00pm
Or by appointment.
Phone 0417 116 216
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**RETIRING OFFERING FOR APRIL
UNITING "COFFEE CUP CHALLENGE"**
If you have been putting aside the cost of a cup of coffee
you can now bring along your donation up until the end
of April

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday May 23rd
Combined Pentecost Service 3.00pm
**Now being held at the
Western Heights Uniting Church**
Great music, Inspirational input, Afternoon Tea
and Fellowship.

Mental Health
Does religion/spirituality support or hinder?
Zoom Forum Event with John Swinton
Friday June 4, 7-9.00pm
Register before May 28th at [https://
www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mental-health-tickets-
144297231905](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mental-health-tickets-144297231905)

Please note that the **Newsletter** is going to print on
Thursday mornings now.
If you would like to have an article included, please have it to the
office by **8.30am**.

Articles can be emailed or left in the folder marked
newsletter that is on the shelf under the clock in the church foyer.

Due to the fact that Ocean Grove now has access to all the pages
in the newsletter there is plenty of room for "special" news such
as
significant birthdays, anniversaries
etc.

Also you have come across a short piece of news that you think
other people might like to read, they will be accepted.

Just remember that it is the discretion of the Editor on what get
publishes.

WEEKLY LECTIONARY READINGS

April 18th Easter 3

Acts 3: 12-19, Psalm 4

1 John 3: 1-2, Luke 24: 36b-48

Bible Reader: David Roach

Prayers for the People: Pat Reid

April 25th Easter 4

Acts 4: 5-12, Psalm 23,

1 John 3: 16-24, John 10:11-18

Bible Reader: Carol Naylor

Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas

May 2nd Easter 5

Acts 8: 26-40, Psalm 22: 25-31,

1 John 4: 7-21, John 15: 1-8

Bible Reader: Marjorie Barry

Prayers for the People: Jim Barry

Communion Steward and Server: Marjorie Barry

May 9th Easter 6

Acts 10: 44-48, Psalm 98

1 John 5: 1-6, John 15: 9-17

Bible Reader: Pat Reid

Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas

KEY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

“I will lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.”

SUNDAY 25TH APRIL
“ANZAC DAY”

Church Service at 10.30am as usual.

RSL Service in the Ocean Grove Park at 10.00am.
you need to be aware that numbers are limited to1000.

Notes from the last Church Council meeting
Held Monday April 12th 2021

- ❖ Money for Mission Project: We are still waiting for and update on the selling of the Newington Property. At this stage we believe that Presbytery has approved the paperwork and it is now up to Property Services at Synod to ensure that the process continues.
- ❖ On Tuesday March the 2nd Carol Naylor (one of our Joint Nominating Representatives, and both Barwon Heads Reps. meet with the Presbytery Relations Committee and presented our Profiles for approval. This meeting was held via Zoom. By now the profiles should have been submitted to the Placements Committee. Carol Naylor will supply us with a further update in the coming weeks.
- ❖ Recycled Treasure Sales will now be held Bi-monthly. This decision was made due to the fact that there seems to be less and less people able to help. Next sale will be on Saturday May the 15th and setting up will be on the Friday May the 14th from 12noon. There is also a need for someone to cook the sausages and onions. For the rest of the year the months for the sale will be July, September, and November, so please look at your calendars and make an effort to help whenever possible. Remember many hands make light work!
- ❖ People are asking if we are ever going to have a cuppa after church again. Well the answer is yes, but there are a couple of matters that need to be addressed, before we can all once again meet in the hall and enjoy some fellowship. We have been advised from Synod that it is recommended that disposable cups are used, there is one person to pour the tea, one to pour hot water, and biscuits must be served with tongs. We have not quite worked out what happens with the milk! With all this in mind are you prepared to be on a morning tea Roster? If so would you kindly put your name on the sheet on the table in the church foyer. Church Council will make a decision at the next meeting on whether morning tea resumes weekly or we are considering only having it once a month. That decision will depend on the number of volunteers.