



Newsletter

Ocean Grove,
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Sunday April 17th 2022

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Follow up Ocean Grove Congregational Meeting and Election of Interim Church Council: Date Sunday April the 24th

- This meeting will be held straight after morning worship; chaired by David Runia.

LIKE SOMETHING PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSLETTER?

Then please have it to the office by 8.30am Thursday mornings.

There is a folder on the shelf under the clock in the foyer that you can leave a notice or if able email your notice via
oguc107@gmail.com

COVID—18 HOTLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

1800 171 866

The Older Persons COVID-19 Support line provides information and support to Senior Australians, their families and carers. Call Monday—Friday, except public holidays from 8.30am—6.00pm.
This service is provided by the Australian Government.

UCAF NEWS

SAMMY STAMP SALES UPDATE—Despite the pandemic and due to ongoing support Sammy Stamp experienced a good annual sales result for 2021. Sales had reached \$43,587 by the 14th of December and by the 16th of December a total of \$58,000 had been approved in grants for the year.

Total sales since 1977 have now reached about \$1,058, 243.

Please save your used stamps, stamped postcards, stamp albums, First Day covers and any other philatelic material and leave in the labelled box in the foyer or give to any UCAF member.

UCAF PROJECTS FOR 2022

Sammy Stamp: please leave used stamps in the box in the foyer. Remember to leave a 3mm border around the trimmed stamps. If trimming is difficult please leave stamps on the envelopes. Old albums, postcards and first day covers with stamps attached are also welcome.

Fellowship of the Least Coin: please save your small change—5 and 10 cent pieces when added together can make a difference to someone's life and can help them experience God's love. This Fellowship which is an ecumenical prayer movement for peace and reconciliation was begun in India in 1956 by Shanti Solomon. With the funds raised grants are made by an international Committee for special projects of evangelism, service, awareness building among women and relief. Collected coins can be handed to Robin Munro or Judy Greer anytime throughout the year.

A PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we know that there is a time to be born, a time to grow old and a time to die.

We know that ageing is a part of life.

Yes sometimes we forget.

Sometimes we fail to embrace the life of our older people.

We confess that we sometimes do not hear the voices of our older people, their needs and concerns.

In our busy daily life, sometimes we just don't stop and listen.

Forgive us when we close our ears to our older people.

**LECTIONARY READINGS
APRIL and May 2022**

April 17th Easter Day

Acts 10: 34-41 or Isaiah 65: 17-25, Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15: 19-26 , John 20: 1-18 or Luke 24: 1-12

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April 24th Easter 2

Acts 5: 27-32, Psalm 118: 14-29 or Psalm 150
Revelations 1: 4-8, John 20: 19-31

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May 1 Easter 3

Acts 9: 1-6, (7-20), Psalm 30
Revelations 5: 11-14, John 21: 1-19

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May 8th Easter 4

Acts 9: 36-43, Psalm 23
Revelations 7: 9-17, John 10: 22-30

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May 15th Easter 5

Acts 11: 1-18, Psalm 148,
Revelations 21: 10, 22—22:5, John 13: 31-35

KEY VERSE FOR THE WEEK

**“Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have
seen the Lord!” and she told them that he had**

RETIRING OFFERING

For the past few weeks we have been given the opportunity to support
the Act for Peace Ukraine emergency appeal.

Appeal envelopes have been distributed and will be accepted up to and
including Sunday April the 24th.

Please give as you are able.

ROSTER FOR APRIL and MAY 2022

April 17th

Bible Reader: Jim Barry
Prayers for the People: Judy Greer
Bell Ringer: Diane Jones
Morning Tea: Pat & David Reid.

April 24th

Bible Reader: Megan Smith
Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas
Bell Ringer: Peter Dickson
Morning Tea; Megan Smith and Joan Calcutt

May 1st

Communion Steward: Marjorie Barry
Bible Reader: Diane Prowse
Prayers for the People Pat Reid
Bell Ringer: Neil Derrick
Morning Tea: Pat & David Reid

May 8th

Bible Reader: Ben McKinley
Prayers for the People: The Reverend Bob Thomas
Bell Ringer: Geoff Naylor
Morning Tea: Rod & Judy Greer

May 15th

Bible Reader: Wilma Andrews
Prayers for the People: Ralph Scott
Bell Ringer: Diane Jones
Morning Tea: Pat & David Reid

If you are on morning tea please remember to bring milk, and if
you are not able to do your rostered shift
endeavour to swap with someone before contacting
Dianne Sapwell.
Thank you.