



Newsletter

Ocean Grove,
Uniting Church in Australia

Sunday January 7th 2024

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The Dove January Disbursement

The Dove Committee will be holding a meeting for the disbursement of funds on Tuesday January the 23rd 2024.

If you would like to apply for funding for an organisation that is in need of support please ask in the Op Shop or see Gonni Runia for an application form.

Do you like gardening? Do you like coffee/tea and cake?
Do you like to chat?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, then you may like to join Barry, Peter and Doug on a Thursday morning from 10.00am—12noon.

This dedicated team of three spend from 10.00—11.00 working in the garden, then they have morning tea, graciously provided by Joan, then back to work for another half hour before finishing for the day.

There is always something anyone of any ability can do. Please consider making it a New Years' resolution to help out in 2024.

Date for your 2024 calendar

Presbytery warmly invites us to the Ordination and Induction of Kyle Moffitt and Annie Brophy on Sunday February the 4th at 2.00pm at the Ocean Grove Uniting Church.

This is a significant Presbytery occasion, as we celebrate with the Congregations of Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove, Kyle, Annie and their family.

We look forward to seeing you on this day.
Marie Craw.

Please note that there will be NO morning services of worship at both churches and the special afternoon service will be followed with refreshments in the hall.

ADVANCE NOTICE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
SUNDAY FEBRUARY THE 25TH

IMMEDIATELY AFTER WORSHIP.

THIS MEANS THAT ANNUAL REPORTS MUST BE HANDED IN TO
DIANNE SAPWELL BEFORE THE 9TH OF FEBRUARY.

SAMMY STAMP

Remember to save all your unwanted used stamps and place them in the marked box on the shelf under the clock in the church foyer. However there are a few instructions which will assist the Sammy Stamp volunteers in Melbourne with their sorting.

- ❖ Check that stamps are **not heavily franked**.
- ❖ If trimming stamps from envelopes they need to have a 3mm border around the **whole stamp**.
- ❖ If unsure about trimming leave on the envelope!
- ❖ If appropriate leave stamps on postcards.

LECTIONARY READINGS JANUARY 2024

January 7th Baptism of Jesus

Genesis 1: 1-5, Psalm 29
Acts 19: 1-7, Mark1: 4-11

January 14th Epiphany 2

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

January 21st Epiphany 3

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

January 28th Epiphany 4

Dt. 18: 15-20, Psalm 111,
1 Corinthians 8: 1-13, Mark 1: 21-28

Key Verse

**“ And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son ,
whom I love ; with you I am well pleased”**

Mark 1: 11

Self serve Morning tea in the foyer
seems to have been a success.

The editor of the newsletter is not aware of
any concerns so this practice will continue
until further notice.

ROSTERS FOR JANUARY 2024

January 7th 2024

Communion Preparation: Pat Reid
Communion Steward: Carol Naylor
Welcome and notices: Megan Smith
Bible Reader: Doug Gorwell
Bell Ringer: Geoff Naylor
Sound: Diane Jones
Prayers for the People: The Minister
Counting: Pat Reid
Morning Tea Preparation: Dianne Sapwell

January 14th 2024

Welcome and notices: Peter Burnham
Bible Reader: Diane Prowse
Bell Ringer: Diane Jones
Sound: Dianne Sapwell
Prayers for the People: Jim Barry
Counting: Robin Munro
Morning Tea Preparation: Joan Calcutt

January 21st 2024

Welcome and notices: Dianne Sapwell
Bible Reader: Neil Derrick
Bell Ringer: Peter Dickson
Sound: Diane Jones
Prayers for the People: The Minister
Counting: Diane Prowse
Morning Tea Preparation: Pat Reid

January 28th

Welcome and notices: Doug Gorwell
Bible Reader: Peter Dickson
Bell Ringer: Geoff Naylor
Sound: Geoff Naylor
Prayers for the People: Dianne Sapwell
Morning tea preparation: Megan Smith

If you are unable to do your rostered task please endeavour to make your own swap before contacting Dianne Sapwell. If you do make a swap it would be appreciated if you let Dianne and the Minster know.