



# Newsletter

Ocean Grove,  
Uniting Church in Australia

Sunday December 15th 2024

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## ADVENT EVENTS

**Tonight** Sunday December 15th 6.30pm  
Community Carols Barwon Heads Community Hall

Tuesday December 24th 6.00pm  
Christingle Service Ocean Grove Uniting Church

wednesday December 25th 9.00am  
Christmas Service at Barwon Heads & Ocean Grove  
Churches

Marjorie Holt  
1914-2024

Marjorie had been a member of the Ocean Grove Congregation for about 15 years.

She moved from her home in The Terrace to a villa in Deborah Cheetham Retirement Village in 2022 and died in the high care section on November 17th.

A graveside service was held on the 27th of November at Queenscliff. Thank you to all for your support, prayers and kind words over the past weeks and months. A special thanks to Annie for conducting the service.

Judy and Rod Greer.

## ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER THE 14TH

**Key Register Update:** If you have keys for anything on the church premises would you please contact Robert Quarrell ASAP and let him know. It is important that we have a register of all key holders for all locks.

**Name Badges:** New members of the Congregation and those who require a name badge replacement please speak to Robert Quarrell to place an order.

**Sunday rosters:** when calling for volunteers to fill the monthly roster please note that we need **2 people** to be listed for the Offering and Counting and 2 people for morning tea.

**Monthly giving envelopes:** If you would like to continue with this practice or maybe join in then please speak to Dianne Sapwell, who will be arranging a new sets of envelopes for 2025 before the end of this year.

**Church Directory and records update:** Please take the time over the next few weeks to update your particulars on the prepared sheets located on the table near the sink in the church foyer. New people attending please add your details to the black sheet so that we can include you in an upcoming new directory. It is also important to have our church records current.

**Bell Ringers needed:** Would you like to let the community know that church is happening on a Sunday. Then see Doug Gorwell for lessons in simple bell ringing.

**Please make sure that you have done as much as possible to address the above issues.**

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 in or if able email your notice via  
oguc107@gmail.com

## **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR DECEMBER**

### **December 15th Advent 3**

Zephaniah 3: 14-20, Isaiah 12: 2-6,  
Philemon 4: 4-7, Luke 3: 7-18

### **December 22nd Advent 4**

Micah 5: 2-5a, Luke 1: 46b-55 or Psalm 80: 1-7,  
Hebrews 10: 5-10, Luke 1: 39-45 (46-55)

### **December 29th Christmas 1**

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26, Psalm 148,  
Colossians 3: 12-17, Luke 2: 41-52

### **Key Verse**

**“ He went into all the country around Jordan,  
preaching a baptism of repentance  
for the forgiveness of sins.”**

**Luke 3: 3**

## **CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL** **“Acting for Peace together”**

There is a special bowl on the table in the foyer for this appeal.

Envelopes are also available if you wish to make a direct debit offering.

Please note that on Christmas Day there will be a special offering taken for the Christmas Bowl Appeal.

Peace I leave with you;  
My peace I give to you.  
John 14.27

## **ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER 2024**

### **December 15th**

Welcome and Notices: ????

Bible Reader: Dianne Sapwell

Bell Ringer; ?????

Sound:????

Prayers for the People:????

Offering and Counting:????

Morning Tea: Dawn Quarrell and Megan Smith

### **December 22nd**

Welcome and notices: ?????

Bible Reader: Margery Scott

Bell Ringer:?????

Sound:????

Prayers for the People: Dianne Sapwell

Offering and Counting: Lesley Pope

Morning Tea: Jeannie Poole and Pat Reid

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

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

### **Joan and Barry Calcutt**

Barry is still in hospital and now has problems with a severe infection in his arm and shoulder and will most likely need rehabilitation.

### **Lyn Mulligan**

Lyn is continuing to have problems with her sinus issues and also heart conditions. She stays positive but thoughts and prayers are always beneficial.

All of the people we know and love in Seaview and other Aged Care facilities.