

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Newington, Ocean Grove, Uniting Church in Australia

Sunday March 8th 2015

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A warm welcome is extended to all visitors today. God's richest blessings to you all.

SERVICES TODAY SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Dr. Jong Soo Park

5.00pm Barwon Heads
Contemporary Service

11.00am Newington 9.00am Newington

The Reverend Dr. Jong Soo Park

Holy Communion

10.30am Ocean Grove 10.30am Ocean Grove

Mark & Jenny Harwood The Reverend Dr. Jong Soo Park

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Exodus 20: 1-17, Psalm 19, 1 Cor. 1: 18-25, John 2: 13-22

NEXT WEEK (Nm. 21: 4-9, Psalm 107: 1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2: 1-10, Jn. 3: 14-21

KEY VERSE

"When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem
John 2: 13

BARWON HEADS NEWS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ITEMS: Please ring or send directly to Dianne Sapwell before 8.30am Friday each week. Email oguc@tpg.com.au or phone 5256 2477 and leave a message.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like prayer through the week, to activate the prayer chain, please contact Fay on 5254 1763 or 0447 314 377where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

FUND RAISING STALL on Saturday 21st march 9—11.30am in the church grounds (or inside if wet) to sell preserves—jams, marmalades, relishes and pickles etc. Please contact Margaret Parry 5254 3208 if you are able to help on the stall on the day. Preserves to be delivered to the church hall by 8.30am on the 21st of March, or phone Margaret to make alternative arrangements. Proceeds to church funds. (Note: no cake stall on this occasion)

5PM Service next Sunday (15th March): John 3:16 is one of the best knownmost - popular and oft - quoted Bible verses. It will feature in our 5.00pm service next Sunday and Ian Cover, who will lead the service, wants you to come along ready to share some other much-loved verses. As always, the service will be followed by dinner in the hall.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: April is AGM time so please start preparing your contributions for the Annual Report. Deadline and meeting details coming soon.

GST (God's Special Tasks): Our annual fundraising efforts for a range of wonderful causes continue in 2015 kick-started by 10% of the proceeds of the January fete. We aim to support an international, a national and a local activity so please pass on your suggestions to a member of Church Council.

MARCH NEWSLETTER AND CROSSLIGHT are available in the church hall today. Please collect your own copy and take any you can deliver to people not here today.

All welcome to morning tea in the church hall after the service.

Great news!!

The Parish website is now back on line. When you are away from Church You can read the weekly newsletter and catch up with all the news.

Website address on the front of the newsletter.

Would you like to have a chat with Jong Soo?

Then you are most welcome to meet him at Newington from 9.30am—12 noon on Wednesday's

(For the Lenten period only Jong Soo

will be at Newington from 11.00am—12noon)
Barwon Heads from 9.30am—12 noon on Thursday's

(except on the 2nd Thursday of the month time 2.30pm)

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Ocean Grove from 9.30am—12noon on Friday's You may like to call Jong Soo on 0425 228 978, just to confirm his availability.

Seachange Quilters Barwon Heads 2015 Quilt Show

Barwon Heads Community Hall Hitchcock Avenue Friday March 13th 4.00 – 8.00pm Saturday March 14th 10.00am—4.00pm Sunday march 15th 10.00am—4.00pm Entry fee Adults \$2.00 Children free

WESLEY HYMNFEST AND LIGHT TEA SUNDAY MAY 24TH 2.30PM WESTERN HEIGHTS UCA DOUGLASS STREET, HERNE HILL

A service of inspiration followed by fellowship over food.

Admission by ticket only, donation \$15 per person

Contact Barry 5241 7073 or Jenice 5278 3135

Plan now to come—tickets available mid-March.

The Geelong Chamber Music Society's 1st concert for 2015

"Flinders Quartet"

Performing works by Sibelius and Mozart.

20th March 7.30pm McAuley Hall

Sacred Heart College, Aphrasia Street Newtown.

Ring 5243 6931 or GPAC 5225 1200 for tickets.

NEWINGTON UCAF
Wednesday March 11th
1.30pm at the Church.
"Planning our syllabus for the year"

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For the months March the money raised will be for the Lenten Appeal. Please take the time to read about this appeal in the appeal envelopes. Envelopes available in the foyer.

PRAYER CONTACT: If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Helen Baum on 5255 1487.

FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT from 10.30am in the church foyer. Call in for 10 minutes or an hour! Enjoy a "cuppa, a chat and some laughter.

Al I are welcome!

TO ALL WHO SERVE MORNING TEA ON SUNDAYS: The key for the cupboard where the white mugs are kept is now hanging on the door where the extra tea and coffee is stored in the church foyer. Please ensure that you return the key to the hook when finished.

SAMMY STAMP is always calling for more used and new stamps and can even make use of stamp collections in albums and old postcards with their stamps intact. Stamps, both trimmed and untrimmed can be left on the foyer in the box marked "Stamps". Please remember that when trimming stamps you need to keep a **border of 3mm all around the stamp**.

SUMMARY OF THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY

22ND: Judy Greer was re-elected as an Elder, for a period of 5 years. The 2014 Annual reports were received. A review was made of the 2015 budget. A motion was passed increasing the amount the Ocean Grove Congregation pays to the Parish. The budgeted amount of \$51,000 was increased to \$64,500 for 2015. Church Council had previously approved this increase.

TO ALL OUR PEOPLE in the church: Thank you for your concerns, prayers, beautiful cards, flowers. Phone calls and visits. I am still here and it is good to belong! Love Nell Brethouwer.

ELDERS MEETING: Thursday March 12th 10.00am in the church foyer.

ROSTERS: on a table in the church foyer there is a sheet detailing all the "jobs" that needed to be completed each Sunday. If you can help fill in some gaps that would be great. **Also if you are already on the rosters, would you kindly check that your name is included. Put a tick against your name if you are able to continue or a cross if you would like to be taken off.** Thank you.