



# Weekly Newsletter

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Uniting Church in Australia

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

## SERVICES TODAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
The Reverend Ian Porter

9.00am Newington  
Mr. & Mrs. B. Shaw

10.30am Ocean Grove  
The Reverend Ian Porter

## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads  
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park  
Holy Communion

9.00am Newington  
Mr. Robert Packett

10.30am Ocean Grove  
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park  
Holy Communion  
Baptism of Jasmine Roberts

## LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 5) 2 Sm. 1: 1, 17-27, Psalm 130  
Eph. 2: 19-22, Jn. 17: 1-11

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 6) 2 Sm. 5: 1-5, 9-10, Psalm 48,  
2 Cor. 12: 2-10, Mark 6: 1-13

## KEY VERSE

**"I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope.  
Psalm 130: 5**

## 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](mailto: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 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

**SHARE WINTER APPEAL:** brochures are in the pews today, requesting urgent help by June 30th. At a times of increasing need—combined with government cutbacks—the need is urgent. Read about one family's experience: Richard's wife died, then he had a workplace injury which meant he was not able to work. A reduced income on benefits meant he could not pay his mortgage so he lost his house and was homeless with two children, living rough in the park or in a shipping container until a UnitingCare agency found them and provided crisis accommodation, food, clothing and medical help. Homeless children and families in desperate need are being turned away due to reduced funding. Your gift to the Share Winter Appeal will help UnitingCare agencies struggling to cope with the need for help. Please take brochure and respond as you are able.

**SECONDBITE** is a food rescue program that collects surplus edible food from supermarkets, restaurants, special events etc. and delivers the food to other community agencies providing meals to people facing hard times. Ian Cover and Andrew Balaam are local ambassadors for Secondbite, which continues as one of our church's "G.S.T. (God's Special Tasks) projects for this year. Watch for news of our special fundraiser trivia Night for our "GST" projects later this year.

**SAMMY STAMP GROUP** meets every 4th Wednesday of the month (1.30—3.30pm) so please continue to bring in your stamps, preferably on the envelopes.

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

Westgate Concert Band are returning to Queenscliff  
Sunday August 23rd at 2.00pm

With a variety of music for your enjoyment.

Orchestral classics arranged by Concert Band, Symphonic Band music ,  
light foot tapping favourites and more.

Adults \$10.00, Children (under 15) \$5.00

Which includes afternoon tea at interval.

For more information please ring Dick Clark on 5258 2680

**"HUNGRY FOR CHANGE"**  
**Act for Peace Ration Challenge**

I would like to sincerely thank all who have supported Joan Calcutt and I with your donations and encouragement for the Ration Challenge. Loosing a few kilos reminds one that we were doing this for the refugees in the camps in Burma to provide food to keep them alive and funds to buy seeds and tools to assist them to sustain a living. Thanks also due to Lyn Mulligan who works tirelessly to promote many worthy causes and is an inspiration to all.

Lesley Pope.

PS. Although we have finished our challenge it's not too late to still contribute either online at Act for Peace or phoning them on 1800 025101, Joan on 5250 3789, Lesley 5255 2201 or Lyn 5255 2638.

**KOREAN LUNCH AT THE MANSE**

Sunday July 5th

Just a reminder that the following people have indicated that they will be sharing lunch with the Park Family next week:

Joan and Barry Calcutt, Joan and Derek Humphrey, Margaret Hughes, Max and Gwen Cooper, Don and Adair Freeman, Lorraine Vincent, and the Grills family.

Please bring a plate of finger food (sweet or savoury) to share.

Message from Robert Renton  
Presbytery Minister for the Presbytery of Port Philip West.

Dear Church Councillors,

It is with great pleasure that I advise you that Mr. Chris Machar will commence a new ministry in Geelong starting on the 22nd of June. His role is a half-time Geelong Fresh Expression ministry. The funding for this ministry is supported by the St. Andrews and St Albans Park Congregations and the Presbytery of Port Philip West.

Although this may be of only direct relevance to Church Councils and Congregations in the Geelong area end of our Presbytery, I felt that it would be valuable for all Church councils to become aware of new developments in our Presbytery.

Cheers.  
Robert Renton

## OCEAN GROVE NEWS

**RETIRING OFFERING:** For the months of June and July will be for the Share Winter Appeal. Each week, hundreds of homeless parents and children are seeking assistance. And government cuts have left several Share-funded programs struggling to cope with the demand. Homeless children and families in desperate need are being turned away. This is happening right here in our Community. For the sake of these families...please support Share's Winter Appeal. Appeal envelopes are available on the small round table in the foyer.

**PRAYER CONTACT:** If you would like our prayer team to pray for you or others (with their permission) please contact Carol Lascelles (5256 3034) from June 22nd until July 8th.

**FRIDAY COFFEE AND CHAT from 10.30am** will be in recess for the next few weeks and will resume on Friday 17th July.

**LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY:** would greatly appreciate your donations of **PASTS (any shape)** and jars of **PASTA SAUCE** this month. The trolley basket will be placed in the church foyer next Sunday morning ready to receive your gifts. Thank you for your continued support for this particular mission of our Congregation.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW what happens at Church Council Meetings?** Then please take the time to read a copy of the minutes on the Noticeboard near the office door.

**SECONDHAND BOOK AND PAINTING SALE:** Setting up will begin at **9.00am on Friday July 3rd** and the actual sale begins at **8.00am on Saturday July 4th**. Remember "many hands make light work" so if you spare any time at all, Neil and Dianne would be very pleased to see you. If there is some who would be prepared to make a cuppa at about 10.30am for all the workers that would be great.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: Thursday July 2nd 4.30pm in the church foyer.**

**THANK YOU** from the members of the UCAF to all who supported the recent Fashion Parade. A total of \$1450 from entry proceeds has been sent to Share.