

Weekly Newsletter

Barwon Heads, Newington, Ocean Grove, 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 SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads

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The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

Holy Communion

9.00am Newington 9.00am Newington Mr. Robert Packett Ms. Jean Murray

10.30am Ocean Grove

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Baptism of Jasmine Roberts

10.30am Ocean Grove

Mr. M. Nolan

Director Wesley Creative Centre

LECTIONARY READINGS

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

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 7) 2 Sm. 6: 1-5, 12b-19, Psalm 24 Ephesians 1: 3-14, mark 6: 14-29

KEY VERSE

"They went out and preached that people should repent"

Mark 6: 12

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.

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. (**G**od's **S**pecial **T**asks) 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

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 to 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.

NEWINGTON UCAF

Will meet at the home of Kelvin and Glenice Benney On Wednesday 8th July at 1.30pm "Sammy Stamp" afternoon so please bring your own scissors.

NEW MENU ITEM ON THE WEBSITE

"Latest Photos"

Now you can view all that happens in the Parish as well as keep up to date with the news!!

ANNUAL LEAVE

The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park will be on Annual Leave from Tuesday July 7th until Monday July 20th. If you have any Pastoral Concerns will you please speak to either an Elder or your Church Council Chairperson so that the matter can be addressed promptly.

KOREAN LUNCH AT THE MANSE SUNDAY JULY 26TH 12.30pm

The following people have indicated that would like to share a meal with the Park Family:

Greg and Helen Carruthers, Carol and Roger Lascelles, Glenice and Kelvin Benney, Peter Ward and Meg Carver. Please bring a plate of either sweet or savoury finger food to share.

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 **PASTA (any shape)** and jars of **PASTA SAUCE** this month. Please place you donations in the basket (marked accordingly) in the church foyer. All of your gifts are truly appreciated.

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.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY AUGUST 2ND: This meeting will be held after morning worship and will be followed by a shared lunch. One of the agenda items will be elections. There is a vacancy for at least one Elder and vacancies for at least 2 Church Councillors. If you are interested in nominating for the position of a Church councillor or an Elder, please collect a nomination form from Diane Prowse (congregational Secretary or from the table in the foyer. Nomination forms are to be returned to Geoff Naylor (Congregational Chairperson) or Diane Prowse by Sunday July the 19th. If you have any items for the agenda, please have them on writing to give to Geoff Naylor by Sunday July the 19th.

ELDERS MEETING: Thursday July 9th 10.00am in the church foyer.

THANK YOU to all who helped on Friday and Saturday with the book and painting sale. The total raised will be published next week.