



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

9.00am Barwon Heads
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

9.00am Newington
Mr. S. Brew & Mr. J. Barry

10.30am Ocean Grove
The Reverend Doctor Jong Soo Park

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY

9.00am Barwon Heads
Ms. Jean Murray

9.00am Newington
Combined Service at either Barwon
Heads or Ocean Grove

10.30am Ocean Grove
Ms. Jean Murray

LECTIONARY READINGS

THIS WEEK (Pentecost 13) 1 Kings 8: (1,6,10-11) 22-30, 41-43
Psalm 84 Ephesians 6:10-20, John 6: 56-69

NEXT WEEK (Pentecost 14) Song 2: 8-13, Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9
Jas. 1: 17-27, Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

KEY VERSE

**“We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”
John 6: 69**

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 314 377 where you can leave a message and Fay will get back to you.

UNITING CHURCH LADIES FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month, (except in school holidays) in the Barwon Heads Church Hall 1.30—2.30pm. All ladies and their friends and their children are invited to come to this new group. Enquiries to Marilyn Hanson 5254 3042

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD is usually organised by Jenny Harwood, but Jenny is not able to take on this task this year. If you can help please speak to Jenny on 5264 1536 as soon as possible.

SAMMY STAMP trimmers and sorters will meet on Wednesday August 26th 1.30—3.30pm in the church hall. Please keep up the supply of used stamps by leaving them in the red box in the church porch on any Sunday.

LOOKING AHEAD: Our usual Melbourne Cup “weekend” stall (Cakes and Preserves) will be held on Saturday morning the 31st of October.

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

Open Doors Australia invite you to a special Open Doors event about what it means to have a *Dangerous Faith*.

This multimedia presentation will focus on what it's like to be a Christian living in the Middle East today.

Ocean Wednesday September 9th at The Wave Baptist Church
Admission is free, an offering for the persecuted church will be taken.

For more information phone 02 9451 2999

Lazarus Community Drop in centre—household items required. As you may be aware, we are about to open the Lazarus Community Drop in centre at the Governor's Residence of the old Geelong Goal. To convert this house into a home like centre we are requiring some larger items such as: fridge, television, washing machine, dryer, pool table, book shelf, urn toaster, sandwich maker, small coffee tables, piano, musical instruments, office type chairs, cushions, towels, tea towels and coffee mugs. If you are able to donate any of these items we would be delighted to hear from you. Please call Wendy at the Wesley Centre on 5222 4101. Thank you.

“Tides of welcome”

With Andrea Robertson and friends.

Winter Warmer Concert Series

Saturday 29th August 7.30pm Tickets \$20 (phone 0478 595 769)

Uniting Church Queenscliff.

Come at 7.00pm for a complimentary mulled wine by the fire. Enjoy chocolate fondue during interval.

Accompanied children \$5. Wine bar open.

Friends of the Leprosy Mission invite you to an afternoon tea with

Guest Speaker Sheldon Rankin (CEO).

The topic “**Nepal—aftermath and rebuild**”,

to be held on Sunday 6th September , 2.30pm at Western Heights Uniting Church, 31 Douglass Street Herne Hill.

A collection will be taken during the afternoon.

Enquiries: Barry Edwards 5241 7073

MORE OCEAN GROVE NEWS

UCAF— Next meeting Monday August 24th, 10.00am in the church foyer. **Guest Speaker Alison McIlvena, administrator of Hutchinson Close Housing**, in the Brunswick area, which can assist with accommodation if you have a family member in hospital in Melbourne.

All are welcome and learn about this facility. Members please bring a **SMALL** plate of morning tea and items suitable for the Trading Table.

THANK YOU: At the last Church council meeting a thank you letter and a certificate of appreciation was tabled from Carols in the Park Inc. Committee. As well as a sincere thank you for our monetary and in-kind support of the event there are some interesting facts about the Carols. If you would like to read the whole letter, there are copies available in the foyer for you to take and read at your leisure.

OCEAN GROVE NEWS

RETIRING OFFERING: For the months of June and July the retiring Offering has been for the Share Winter Appeal and a cheque for \$206.60 has been sent. The result will be published next week. For the months of August, September and October all money raised will be directed to the Synod JIM Group and an Asylum Seeker Project.

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. Come for a coffee/tea, chat and more than often a good giggle!!!

WOOL PLEASE: The UCAF knitters are in need of **8ply** knitting yarn for our Rug Project—our supplies have come to an end! **Yarn can be wool or acrylic.** It takes about 750grams of yarn to make a good size knee rug or 15 x 50gram balls of wool. In the last month we have supplied 14 rugs to UnitingCare in Corio for people in the community struggling to keep warm this winter. Please place any wool donations in the marked container in the foyer.

SAMMY STAMP: remember to keep all your used stamps and place them in the labeled box in the foyer. **When trimming stamps please keep a 3mm border around the whole stamp.** If trimming is difficult leave the stamps on the envelopes. The UCAF recently send 7 kilos of stamps to Sammy Stamp in Melbourne. Stamp sales for this year to June the 4th have raised \$11, 715 and the total of grants approved for the year stands at \$28,500.00

SUMMARY OF THE CONGREGATIONAL MEETING HELD SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST: Neil Derrick and Lorna Dickson were re-elected as Church councillors. Brian Kidd was re-elected as an Elder. Six monthly financial reports were received from the Parish, Ocean Grove Church and *the dove*. A property report was also received. It was confirmed that the Parish executive has the responsibility for the maintenance of the Manse Property, and that it is appropriate for Church council to make specific recommendations to the Congregation on financial matters.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR JUDY GREER: jgreer3226@gmail.com

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR ROBERT& BARBARA COX:
robertcox62@gmail.com and barbcox999@gmail.com

THANK YOU for your cards, phone calls and prayer while I was in hospital over the last 8 weeks. I am now in permanent residence at Seaview Manor and my phone number is 5256 2901. Jean Gunn