

## "A CHURCH FOR ALL"

### CHELSEA NEWSLETTER

2 March 2014



Helen Steiner Rice pens a beautiful poem entitled:

#### 'A Friend is a Gift from God'

*It contains words such as a friend understands; is willing to listen and share secret heartaches; will keep confidences; offers a gentle hand when words won't do and has an understanding mind.*

A friend who also shares with us the thoughts and feelings we have about God and our Lord Jesus Christ offers us even more.

This type of friend will pray with us and help us explore God's Word to find strength and guidance. They will hold us in Christian love recognising that we are all the adopted children of God—we are all family connected through our belief in the loving grace of God through the gift of Jesus.

I have seen this friendship active in our church over the past few months. It is wonderful to see our congregation reaching out to each other providing encouragement, support and love.

#### The Gift of Friendship

*is a priceless gift that cannot be bought or sold but its value is far greater than a mountain made of gold.*

*For gold is cold and lifeless, it can neither see nor hear and in the time of trouble it is powerless to cheer.*

*It has no ears to listen, no heart to understand; it cannot bring you comfort or reach out a helping hand.*

*So when you ask God for a gift, be thankful if He sends not diamonds, pearls or riches, but the LOVE OF REAL TRUE FRIENDS.*

## The Pastor Is In

I am available on Wednesdays and every second Friday afternoon if you wish to chat about any issues.

Also on mobile anytime **0423 375 714**

**PASTOR JUDI**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**YOUNG MUMS SUPPORT GROUP Friday 7 March Feb 9.30-11.30** Great time to support any young mums feeling isolated or in need of some friends. Guest speakers will be planned to assist with life skills.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHTS.** Our next fun afternoon from 4-6pm will be April 12th as the planned afternoon for March 8th falls on the long weekend. This will give you time to limber up, stretch and get ready for our mini Olympic games.

## OTHER NEWS

**We have been approached by the City of Kingston with regard to using our building to hold some Playgroups as their current building has to be renovated urgently.**

**A successful meeting was held over brekkie with Donna Bauer and Lorraine Wreford who is our State Member for Mordialloc District with regard to grant opportunities and support for the Church and Careworks activities.**

**Do you get a cold head—Tina who attends breakfast knits fantastic beanies. Please let Judi know if you wish to order one. Cost \$10.00.**

# Chelsea Church of Christ Services

## CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

2 March 2014

Speaker: Judi

Reading: Matt 17:1-9

Theme: The transfiguration



9 March 2014

Speaker: Judi

Reading: Luke 4:1-13

Theme: The Temptation of Jesus

16 March 2014

Speaker: Victor

Reading: Luke 13:31-35

Theme: Sorrow for Jerusalem

## CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

2 March 2014

Children make a Pinwheel which moves when the wind blows and how similar this is to God—we can't see God but can see the results.

9 March 2014

What's inside the Surprise Box? We will explore and make our own boxes to keep our precious things inside.

16 March 2014

We are going to look at how the Israelites followed God in the desert to reach the Promised Land. We will make our own desert.

## REGULAR WHAT'S ON

Pastoral Care and Support : available from

Minister Judi. Call church or Mobile



Tuesday: Kankama facilities Men's Shed 9-12noon

Wednesday: Community Breakfast 8-10 am,  
Men's Shed 9am-12  
Women's Group 2nd Wed of month

Thursday: Men's shed 9-12  
AA Meeting in Chapel 11am  
Community Lunch 11am-1.00pm

Friday: 1st and 3rd Friday each month stating 7th Feb  
Young Mums Support Group 9.30-11.30am.

Connecting Skills Australia @ the Men's Shed 9-12

Saturday: 2nd Saturday of each month in the hall from  
4-6pm Family Fun afternoons.

Sunday: Worship & Kid's Sunday School 10 am each week

Discussions group 12 noon, Last Sunday each month

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