#### "A CHURCH FOR ALL"

### CHELSEA NEWSLETTER



**25 November 2012** 

#### A word from Judi....

The Childlike Spirit

Then children were brought to him so that He could lay His hands on them and pray.

The disciples rebuked the people, but Jesus said "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them: for the kingdom of heaven belongs to them" (Matt 19:13-14)

What a wonderful insight into the significance of children these words of Jesus are. Not only do they show His great love for every individual child, but also the importance of all children as the heirs to God's future. Yet what promise do they hold for those of us who are not children? The words of Jesus become clearer when we understand

what He means by 'children.' He is not speaking merely of immature human beings, but of every person who is willing to recognize that He or She is a child of God.

Once we realize this, we will open doors and enter in, we will ask for what we need and accept whatever is given to us; like children, we will not doubt God's words.

'Ask, and it will be given you; seek and you will find; knock and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds and to him who knocks it will be opened.' (Matt 7:7-8)

# Messy Church Partnering with Families

## Celebrating Our Natural World

TODAY Sunday 25th Nov 2012

You are invited to enjoy an old fashioned style picnic.

Full of fun, games and activities for all ages.

We have booked a special site, close to toilets, playground and walks.

Bring your picnic lunch and laughter.
Games include:

Egg and spoon race, Balloons in the bucket Tunnel ball, In the Pond/Out the Pond And Bean bag tossing

Opportunity for a guided walk and talk on the natural world.

Venue – Rosella Car Park <u>Braeside Park</u> Lower Dandenong Road Braeside. **1-4PM** 

All families are welcome – whatever combination that may be – mums, dads, carers, aunts, uncles, nanas, grandpas and of course CHILDREN.

Ring Judi on 0423 375 714 to register.

#### Chelsea Church of Christ Services

#### **CHURCH SERVICES** 10 am Sunday

**Sunday November 25 Abolitionist Sunday and Annual General Meeting** - Judi Turnham

**Sunday December 2** The Birth of Jesus Foretold

Scripture reading - Luke 1:26:33 Preacher - Judi Turnham

**Sunday December 9** Mary's Song

Scripture reading - Luke 1:46-5 Preacher - Allan Avery

#### **CHILDREN'S SERVICES** 10 am Sunday

**Sunday November 25 No Lesson today.** We have a special service and then afterwards we are going to have fun at Braeside Park

#### **Sunday December 2** No Room in the Inn

I wonder what Joseph and Mary thought when they reached Bethlehem to find no room for them to rest and await the birth of Jesus?

#### Sunday December 9 The Birth of God's Son

Oh how Mary rejoiced when she gave birth to her son. If the animals in the stable could talk – I wonder what they would have said?

#### **MESSY CHURCH** Sunday 25th November 1-4pm

This month we are having a lovely Church Picnic to include all of our Church community – young and old.

Please let Judi know ASAP is you are attending for catering purposes. 0423 375 714. Judi will provide a detailed map of how to get to Braeside and the picnic area.

Venue – <u>Braeside Park</u> Lwr Dandenong Road Braeside. **1-4PM**Rosella car park (ART SHED) which has a large shelter with tables & seats. Also a large grassed area for fun and games. Close to playground, nature walk and toilets. All families are welcome – whatever combination that may be – mums, dads, carers, aunts, uncles, nanas, grandpas and of course **CHILDREN**.

### REGULAR WHAT'S ON at Chelsea Church of Christ

Monday: Prayer Meeting/Bible Study 10am

"Where two or more are gathered together, there I will be also" Come and share in the real power of prayer – prayers for self, others and the work of the church



Tuesday: Kankama using the facilities of the Men's Shed 9-12

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

Sunday: Worship & Kid's Sunday School 10 am each week Ouestions group 12 noon, 2nd Sunday of each month Messy Church 2-4pm - 3rd Sunday of each month

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