



3 March 2013

A word from Judi....

The children and I have been exploring what it may have been like for Jesus as He was growing up. We have looked at where Jesus lived, the type of country He walked in and His earthly family.

The Gospels only reveal one story of Jesus as a boy – His visit to astound the religious teachers in the Temple at the age of 12. Yet this reveals how Jesus and His parents – Joseph and Mary – obeyed God implicitly under the most demanding circumstances.

Before Jesus was born, Joseph had a painful choice – rid himself of a pregnant Mary or obey when the angel told him not to do this. When Mary could not understand how she could be pregnant while still a single woman, God told her how – in Spiritual terms. Mary willingly submitted to the Lord.

Because Mary and Joseph were devout Jewish people, they kept the laws of Moses. Jesus learned the basic truths and duties of a God-fearing family. This included regular religious observances, prayer, giving to the poor and serious study of the Holy Scriptures.

We are all responsible to teach the children in our midst – all children that we interact with who form part of our Church community. We need to teach them gospel and biblical values and habits. Children today face many more distractions than Jesus did as a boy and need the same wholesome upbringing that Jesus had. Spiritual growth and development must rank in importance, ahead of other activities. Attaining God’s wisdom as a child is much more valuable and important.

Let us pray this prayer:

*Lord Jesus, help us to instill the best spiritual values for children.
 May we be beacons of truth and righteousness for all children in
 our sphere of influence. Amen.*

With Love. Judi

Are you interested in attending a Bible Study Group?

I am keen to start a Bible Study Group and have had interest from a few of the congregation members. I am considering Wednesday’s fortnightly in the front room of the Annexe.

Two times I thought may suit are:

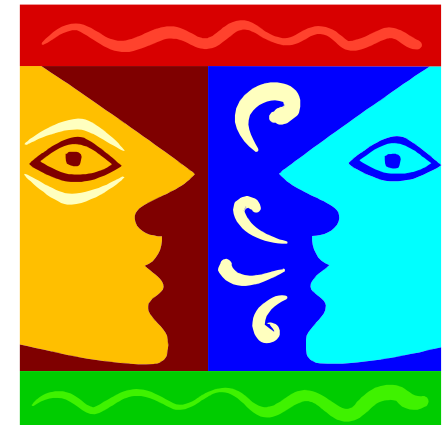
4.00-5.30pm or 7.00-8.30pm

I plan to work through some specific Bible Study books as an introduction to exploring Scripture. It would be fairly informal but with agreed goals which we could set at the first meeting to ensure all have the opportunity to contribute. My plan is to begin in April which avoids the Easter break.

The Pastor Is In.

I am available to chat about any issues of a Wednesday and some Saturday mornings. Please pop into the front room of the Annexe or call me on 0423 375 714 for a suitable time to catch up, or regarding the bible study

Judi



If you are interested in attending the International Women’s Day event this coming Friday 8th March at 9.30 am at Doyles Mordialloc, please see Jeanne



Chelsea Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

Sunday March 3 Life through the Spirit

Scripture reading – Romans 8 3-10 Preacher - Judi Turnham

Sunday March 10

Scripture reading – Romans 10:8b-13 Preacher - Allan Avery

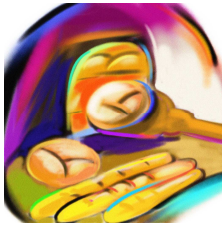
Sunday March 17

Scripture reading – Psalm 27 Preacher - Colin Duggan

CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

Sunday March 3 What did Jesus eat?

There were no McDonalds! We'll share some of the foods that Jesus ate and how they were prepared.

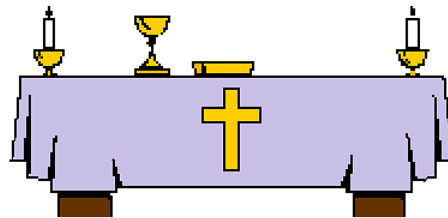


Sunday March 10 School, school, school!!!
What was school like for Jesus as a boy? Our lesson today will be run the same way as it was done when Jesus was a boy – with a scroll.



Sunday March 17 How is our Chapel like a Synagogue?

We will learn how Jesus and his friends had to act within the Synagogue which will help us know how to behave in our Chapel with our traditions.



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
Questions group 12 noon, 2nd Sunday of each month
Messy Church 2-4pm - 3rd Sunday of each month

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