

LIVING JESUS' EXAMP

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and

From The Desk of Pastor Judi

Today's reading from Jeremiah may cause some to shrink back from God's judgement on the people. But the prophet recorded a promise. After centuries of rebellion it would have been easier for God to have ended His dealings with the Israelites and to have chosen another people. But He chose instead to restore the destroyed, rebuild the ruins and raise up His fallen nation.

God chose to heal the broken, to take the scattered pieces and put them back together, one by one, piece by broken piece.

Why is that? Why does God continue to do that when we all 'fall short of the glory of God?' Because when you love something and that something breaks, you don't abandon it, you put it back together, piece by piece.

The story of Israel is a sign to all people, a picture of God's redemption for all who will receive it. And that redemption is about restoring the broken pieces of our lives, of our mistakes and puts them back together.

And as God has done for us, we must do the same to those who are fallen and to that which is broken.

Is there something broken that you have abandoned or given up on?

Pray for its redemption and, if you can, put it back together in God's love.

Scripture: Isaiah 61:4; Amos 9:14; Luke 4:18 and Acts 15:16-17



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The Pastor Is In:

Pastor Judi provides pastoral care to all who attend the church and overall site throughout the week. She is able to meet on or off site, depending on your preferences. Best contact 0423 375 714.

<u>Please note:</u> Pastor Judi is in the office all day Mondays, and half a day on Wednesdays and Fridays only. Pastor Judi does not work Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays. However she will return your call if it is an emergency.



Sunday Services:

September 15th Preacher: Judi

Readings: Jeremiah 4:11-12 & 22-28 Val 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Margaret

Helpers: Marg & Val Communion: Judi September 22nd Preacher: Colin

Readings: Jeremiah 8:18 to 9:1 Di 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Bob

PRAYER ROOM / LOUNGE

PRAYER MEETING Friday's at 10am for 1/2 hour. All are welcome

LADIES BIBLE STUDY: Friday's 10:30am-11:30am

Followed by a cuppa in one of the local cafes when time permits. Don't forget ladies

Alpha: Last Monday we explored further the power and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit – a challenging topic.

Monday 16th we will view 2 videos – "How can I make the most of the rest of my life and how can I resist evil." This means we will meet at 5.30pm to finish at 7.30pm. If this is difficult for anyone, please let Pastor Judi know.

Community Lunch: Sunday 22nd. 11.45 – 1.30pm. Why not invite a friend?

Pantry is overflowing!! What a week we had. Generous donations from Mordialloc Beach Primary School and Edithvale Primary School. Two trips were required to Edithvale. We are also receiving another 50 Cupcakes and other funds to help continue running the pantry. We encourage you to continue to bring in items – tea/coffee/sugar/cereals are light on at the moment.

October for us is exciting:

Hearing Australia will be offering free hearing checks on Wed 2nd and Wed 23rd.October 8.30am to 11.30am. These will be held in the privacy of Judi's room. Appointments required.

"Three Sides of a Coin" Performance will be held in the Chapel on Wed 9th at 9am. The performers are all reformed gambling addicts and the show will help us to see the negative impact that gambling can have on our lives. Free event – all welcome. Bookings required. This event will be promoted widely around the community.

Trivia afternoon Friday from 2-4pm including yummy Devonshire Tea. Bookings required. Why not come and have fun while challenging your brain.

Facilities: Noel arranged for a new heater in the Prayer/Lounge room as one was unrepairable; LED down lights in the chapel and a quote to replace all lights in the chapel with LED. Heaters in the Hall have also been serviced.

Freedom Sunday 26th **September** Our display is set for this special service to explore the impact of trafficking in the world. Please promote

Nominations for the Board: We have received some nominations. Not too late to put one in before the names are to be voted on by members.

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