A CHURCH - NOT JUST TO LEAD BUT TO SERVE



21 Jan 2018



In 1677 27 year old Henry Scougal wrote this to a friend: "The worth and excellency of a soul is to be measured by the object of its love."

Pleasures never lie. Pleasures are the whistle-blowers of the heart because pleasure is the measure of our treasure.

Jesus said – where your <mark>treasure</mark> is, there your h<mark>eart will</mark> be also. (Matthew 6:21)

Pleasure is the joy we experience over a treasure we love that makes us willing to sell everything else to have it. (Matthew 13:44)

So what do your pleasures really tell about what you love?
What do your loves tell you about the condition of your soul?

What we really need is to allow — to invite — Jesus to search our souls. We need the diagnosis and treatment of the Great Physician. We need to come to Him and say with David:

Search me, O God and know my heart? Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. (Psalm 139:23-24)

And the wonderful thing is that we don't need to be afraid for Jesus knows exactly where we are at, just like He knew were Peter was at when he betrayed him three times.

Pray: Dear Lord, I confess my failures to love you. Search my soul and know my heart. I present them to you. I believe the greatest affection is love and I believe You are the greatest object of my love.

You are the wellspring of all that is truly life.

Draw me back to you I pray. Amen.

The Pastor Is In



Pastor Judi will be working in the Church office

8-12.30pm Monday and Wednesday mornings for anyone who wishes to talk. She is also available for home visits. Please call her on **0423 375 714.** The Elders and Fiona are also available if Judi is not available.

Latest News

Sunday evening services: will commence the 2nd Sunday of each month from 6-7pm. The make-up of the service will vary from our traditional morning service to be more informal, with discussions on Scriptural stories. All are welcome.

God surely answers prayer: we have been heartened by offers from volunteers to assist us in our Outreach programs. Pastor Judi is also in discussion with a potential Student Placement with a passion for Children's and Families ministry. This opportunity will be discussed by the Board in the coming weeks. This in noway impacts on Fiona as our Student Minister. It is hoped that our ministry will be enriched with opportunities to grow our discipleship to the broader community.

Numbers for our Holiday Breakfast: First week 19, second week 30, week three 39 and week four.56. Thank you to those who assisted.

Mental Health sessions: as there has been little interest, these will be put on hold for the time being.

Church Facebook Page: Just a reminder if you have something you would like to announce please see Fiona. Remember this is for everyone's use, Fiona can't make the page on her own.



Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

Sermon Series for the Month of January

21st Jan P Judi **R** Jonah 3:1-5, 10 & Mark 1:14-20 Noel

28h Jan P Judi **R** Deut 18:15-20 & Mark 1:21-28 Jan

Speakers coming up in February

11th Feb Colin

18th Feb Bruce Searle—Hope from Above Inc.

25th Feb Fiona





Next appearing: Watch this space

Our Prayers and hearts go out to Adrian and family and also the Gospellaires. May God Bless you all for warm and continued recovery.

WHAT'S ON

MONDAY	•	Fit Mums Music with Mums	2-3pm Hall 9.30-11.30 chapel
TUESDAY	•	Mens Shed Music with Mums Karate Agestrong PRP	Men's Shed 9-12 noon 9-12noon chapel 6-8pm hall 8-1pm hall 1-4pm hall
WEDNESDAY	•	Community Breakfast Pay It Forward Men's Shed	7.am—10am hall 7.30-9.30 Chapel Fortnightly 9-2pm—backyard
THURSDAY	•	Men's and Ladies Shed combined sessions AA in the Chapel Karate Agestrong PRP	9-2pm—backyard 11am—chapel 6-8pm hall 8=1pm hall 1-4pm hall
FRIDAY	•	Prayer Meeting Bible Study for Women Afternoon Games	10—1030am Annex 1030—1130am Annex 12-3.30pm Chapel
SUNDAY	•	Worship Service Childrens Program	10-11am—chapel Followed by cuppa—hall

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