

A word from our Student Minister

With a new year quickly approaching we need to have that elusive conversation with the Lord about what He wants us to do throughout 2019. A new year that promises new beginnings, new challenges, new friendships and new understandings of what Christian life and the life of Jesus brings.

Jesus, our Lord and Saviour for all of humanity, our worldly King, who takes away all our sins and provides the unrighteous a new way of life; a new life of salvation full of love and grace. The beginning of renewed life that provides new opportunities from an ending that includes difficult times, sorrow and sadness, joy and happiness; each beginning requires an ending.

Each new beginning is created by the choices given to us through something ending; each new beginning decided upon our decision to enjoy, grow and evolve into spiritual beings of hope, grace and love and giving others opportunities within new challenges given to us by the Lord God our Father.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father who teaches us through wisdom about what it means to be in the midst of salvation and sharing everything we have and everything that is to come with others who have not yet experienced or witnessed, the true love and grace of God.

So lets fill the hearts of those who needs Christ in their lives, because the year 2019 promises all the above.

3-5 Blantyre Ave Chelsea

Chelsea Communit Church of Christ

The Pastor Is In:

Rev. 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>Sunday Lunch</u>: Our next Sunday Lunch will be 27th January - those wishing to attend please see Leah and let her know if you are able to assist with catering.

<u>Holiday Breakfast:</u> over the next four weeks the Church will be assisting Tony in providing a continental breakfast with full service re-commencing 30th January along with our free food Pantry returning to its full assistance program also.

<u>Christmas Eve Service:</u> A small gathering of 12 people enjoyed the Christmas Eve Celebration delivered by Rev. Judi starting their Christmas morning with a short worship service praising God for the birth of Jesus followed by snacks afterwards. Numbers are significant in Scripture - wonder what the above attendance numbers mean to our Church?

<u>Tenants:</u> will be on holiday for the next 2 months except Music with Mummies who will be running a number of holiday classes in the chapel and AA continues right through. This provides opportunity to tidy up the church site inside and out. Noel and Judi have a list so if anyone is feeling particularly energetic please let them know.

<u>A Big Thank You</u>: to the Uniting Church Parish who donated a whopping \$3,000 towards our Outreach Programs and a further \$200 donation for our Pantry.



MISSION/OUTREACH PROGRAMS

YOUR PANTRY - Wednesdays 7.00 to 12noon

This service provides free non-perishable foods and toiletries to anyone who may be struggling or just short of funds in between pensions.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST - Wednesdays 7.00—10am

This service provides a 3 course hot breakfast to anyone who is finding it tough. A healthy breakfast can be enjoyed amongst others with the hope that new friends may be found.

ORANGE SKY LAUNDRY - Wednesdays 7.00-9am

A free wash and dry laundry service for homeless and anyone struggling to pay power costs to have their clothes washed and dried. Put your laundry in and enjoy a hot breakfast and friendship while you wait.

CHAPEL LOUNGE

(just outside the Chapel)

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Thursday 1:00pm to 2:15pm

Ladies are invited to our small **Bible study group** where we share God's word with laughter, tears and compassion. Bibles are provided. We do ask that you arrive on time as late comers can be disruptive to the session.

PRAYER MEETING

Thursday 2:30pm to 3:00pm

All welcome to our weekly **Prayer meeting** where we thank God for His wonderful blessings and pray for guidance and support. Individuals are also prayed for.



CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

30 December 2018

Speaker: Judi

Luke 2:41-52 Scripture:

6 January 2019

Speaker: Judi

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6 - Epiphany Ethel Bob

Matthew 2:1-12

13 January 2019

Speaker: Judi

Isaiah 43:1-7 - Baptism of Jesus Val Scripture:

Luke 3:15-17 & 21-22 Terrv

20 January 2019

Speaker: Fiona

Scripture: Isaiah 62:1-5 - Epiphany 2 Noel

> John 2:1-11 Leah



May God enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see the hope that His calling holds for you.