

A SMALL CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART

CHELSEA NEWSLETTER

18 October 2015



7 SECRETS TO A MORE GENEROUS CHURCH

1. Acknowledge God's generosity — we possess nothing to give that has not already been given to us from God.
2. Generosity is not primarily about money — the generosity of God, Jesus and so many in giving their resources, talents and time is in the joyful mission of God.
3. Model a generous lifestyle — we need to live showing our trust in God enough to live simply, give sacrificially and engage with the community.
4. God repays those who are generous to the poor — but we need to teach responsible use of money as a blessing and not as a god.
5. Giving is at the heart and foundation of biblical generosity — this is the very nature of the Trinitarian God who is an eternal community of self-giving love and deference.
6. Expand our metrics—an increase in monetary giving may be a wonderful thing but it alone does not signify a generous congregation.
7. Attitude is as important as action—the Israelites were taught how to give — with humility. We cannot claim credit for our gifts.

We need to model ourselves on Jesus who is loving, humble and servant-giving. Jesus didn't just send food to the tables of the poor, He invites them to share at His table. We must also be welcoming, gracious and free of condemnation.

The Pastor Is In

You can catch me at the Church
Mondays to Wednesdays and also Fri-
days from 9.00 to 1pm.
OR phone my mobile on 0423 375 714



Latest News

Prayer Points: Pray for God's healing presence upon: Jan, Syd and Lesley, Bruce, Eddie, Sarah R, Gerald and any others in need. .

The Gospellaires. We enjoyed wonderful music from the band last Sunday and with the overwhelming support from our members I will be asking the group if they can play at our services regularly.

Healthy Living Seminars. Next seminar is to be held on Wed November 11th at 10.30am. Debbie is a qualified dietician and will guide us on Healthy Eating on a Budget.

Victorian Interfaith Networks free event to be held on Sunday 22nd Nov 12noon Kingston City Hall Moorabbin. The aim is to help build the capacity and sustainability of multifaith/interfaith networks.

Justice Beyond Good Intentions bookings required for those who wish to attend. Cost is \$55 per person. Saturday 24 October 2015 run by TEAR Vic. Essendon Baptist Church.

It's Not On—Holmesglen Run for Change—all proceeds go to the Luke Batty Foundation. Sunday 25th November—run starts at 8am at Bicentennial Park Chelsea (10km and 5km) and Walks start at 9.30am (5km). To purchase tickets go online to: eventbrite.com.au/e/Holmesglen-fun-run-run-for-change-tickets.

Re-imagining Church—workshop run by Gerald and Steve Rose Thursday 22nd October 10-4pm at Mornington Church of Christ. Cost \$30 and can be paid on the day. Bookings required.

Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

Justice Prayer Vigil—a small number of people gathered for our first Inter church Justice Group with representatives from Uniting, our Church and the Catholic Church. An hour was spent praying for various issues within society including covering justice, freedom from slavery, homelessness, forced detention of children and family violence. New members welcome.

Mission programs: Ladies in the Shed; Kidzone Holiday Programs; Healthy Living Seminars; Friday Afternoon Board games; Men's Recreational Morning; free Community Breakfast; Morning tea Tuesdays and Thursdays.

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

18 October 2015

Speaker: Bill

Reading: John 14:15-21

25 October 2015

Speaker: Steve

Reading: Psalm 19

1 Nov 2015

Speaker: Judi

Reading: Psalm 139



CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

18 October 2015

Obeying God—learning what Love is like.

25 October 2015

Doves of Peace—how to hear the voice of God

1 Nov 2015. Coins in Motion—How to face challenges.



REGULAR WHAT'S ON

MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ladies Morning 	Ladies in the Shed 9.30-12.30pm
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CS Mornington in the Mens Shed Music for Mommies Chat n Chew 	Men's Shed 9-12 noon 9-12noon chapel 10-12noon foyer
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Breakfast Men's Shed 	8-10am—hall 9-2pm—backyard
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Men's Shed AA in the Chapel Chat n Chew 	9-2pm—backyard 11am—chapel 10-12 noon foyer
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bible Study for Women CS Aust Afternoon Games Recreation Activities for Men 	11-12am Annexe Men's Shed 9-12noon Chapel 12.30-3.30pm Hall 10-2pm
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ladies Morning 	Ladies in the Shed 10am-1pm
SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worship Service Childrens Program 	10-11am—chapel Followed by cuppa—hall

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