

A SMALL CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART

CHELSEA NEWSLETTER

16 April 2017



John Bartlett wrote a book of quotations which contained around 1300 different definitions, reflections and opinions on **LOVE** by the world's greatest writers, thinkers, philosophers and theologians. No wonder the world—and perhaps you are confused about the meaning of love! The Bible contains four different terms which could be translated by our English word love.

EROS the word for sexual or sensual love

STORGE speaks of familial love or filial love between a parent and a child.

PHILEO refers to social love, often translated by friend or brotherly love.

AGAPE is the kind of love most associated with the New Testament. It is unconditional, divine love, the kind of love God exercises toward mankind. Agape love is the power that moves us to respond to someone's needs with no expectation of reward.

Today is Resurrection Sunday—For God so loved us all that He GAVE His Son to take the punishment for our sin upon Him. God demonstrated His love by an action—by giving.

He forgave, He reconciled, He blessed He gave, He justified, He sanctified and on and on.

You cannot have the Cross without the Resurrection.

Today, bow your heads in thanksgiving to Almighty God for the sacrifice and the resurrection of Jesus Christ—our Beloved Saviour.

The Pastor Is In

Pastor Judi is available for Pastoral support Mondays and Wednesdays. To make a mutually, convenient time, please contact Judi on 0423 375 714



Latest News

Prayer Points please pray for the first person in your directory—their surname begins with A. Please pray for them, their family and ask God to continue to provide them with strength through their journey.

Upcoming Programs – **Men's Drop in Centre** to commence every Friday from 2-4pm **May 5th 2017**. Any enquiries please speak to Noel, Facilities Manager.

10 Steps to Spiritual Fitness to commence for 10 Wednesdays from 2-3.30pm **May 3rd 2017**. **Judi needs to know as soon as possible if anyone is interested otherwise the sessions will not proceed.**

We are setting aside **Sunday 21st May 2017** as '**Bring a Friend Sunday**' We will be welcoming the Country Gospellaires and encourage everyone to invite a friend to the service – family member, neighbour, friend – whoever. We will provide a 'bang up' morning tea too.

Pastoral Support—Judi is on hand to provide guidance in your journey with God, including scripture and prayer as well as walking beside you in a crisis. Her contract is for 2 days a week so she seeks your understanding when she needs to say no to requests that do not fit into her brief. Judi has not included Fridays nor Sundays in her availability as these are already taken up with Prayer /Bible Study as well as Worship Service.

Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

16 March 2017

Speaker: Judi
Special Resurrection Sunday Service.

23 April 2017

Speaker: Judi
Reading: Psalm 16 and John 20:19-31
Gospellaires in the chapel.



30 April 2017

Speaker: Judi
Reading: Psalm 116:1-4 & 12-19 and Luke 24:13-35

Pantry situation:

Over the past 4 weeks we have had to source money to purchase items to continue running the pantry. On Wednesday we had 12 persons seeking assistance and we could not provide all their needs.

Please pray for funds and/or further donations to keep us going.

Men's Shed reduction in members: Judi has had talks with the Men's Shed in an effort to assist, where we can, to gain more members. Their requests have been for use of areas of the church and this is a challenge when considering use now is the highest it has been. Please pray for direction in this situation.

WHAT'S ON

MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fit Mums & Bumps • Ladies in the shed • Music with Mummies 	8-9am hall 9.30-12.30pm and 1.30pm to 3.30pm 9.30-10.30 chapel
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mens Shed • Music for Mummies 	Men's Shed 9-12 noon 9-12noon chapel
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 	9-2pm—backyard 11am—chapel
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prayer—learning to pray/prayer meeting • Bible Study for Women • Men's Shed • Afternoon Games 	10-10.45 Annexe 11-12.30pm Annexe Men's Shed 9-12noon Chapel 12.30pm-3.30pm
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ladies in the Shed 	10-1pm
SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Service 	10-11am—chapel Followed by cuppa—hall

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