

A SMALL CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART

CHELSEA NEWSLETTER

19 February 2017



Did you know that Jesus asked 307 questions in His 3 year ministry and only directly answered 3 of 83 questions He was asked?

Many think a minister has to give people answers and has to resolve their dilemmas. Yet Jesus doesn't and didn't. Jesus either remained silent, responded with another question, put the question back inside the frame of reference of the enquirer or gave an illustration to answer. Many times, silence, quiet prayer and genuine love for the opponent are the only answer.

Jesus asks good questions, unnerving questions, realigning questions, transforming questions. He was an engaging transformer of the soul. Jesus rarely gave a straight answer to a question – He put his questioners in a position of having to think for themselves.

In today's society, many of us seek an easy fix, we snap our fingers and say 'Give me the answer that I seek now!' Unfortunately, if we get into that frame, the answer we give rarely is the right one. Easy and quick answers disrespect the needs of the other, leads us to try to change them when in fact, we need to allow God to do this.

Jesus gave people His full attention being a conduit of God's presence, a channel for the Spirit's power and love to heal, redeem and release the captives.

This is our mission too.

The Pastor Is In



Judi is available to provide pastoral care – Mondays and Wednesdays from 8-4pm and Fridays from 8-10am, either in her office or she can visit you. Judi is available outside of these hours only in times of crisis. To make a mutually convenient time to catch up, please phone Judi on her mobile 0423 375 714.

Latest News

Colin returns!! Yes Colin is settled into his new home and will be returning to preach on the 2nd Sunday of the month, from March.

2nd hand freezer and new Commercial dishwasher we have purchased a small 2nd hand freezer to be used for the pantry. It is located in the small kitchen of the annexe and we are hoping to seek Men's shed support to redesign the kitchen for better use.

Dishwasher will be delivered shortly and installed as soon as possible. The old dishwasher is being donated to the Men's shed for their use in their new kitchen.

False Turf one of the ladies from the Shed has donated turf to be placed under the Pergola. The Ladies in the Shed will be installing this over a 2 day period of a Sunday and Monday.

Chelsea Care Works sign you may have noticed a new sign affixed to the weatherboards of the annexe. We are seeking someone who is willing to paint around the sign and its frame in the blue to match the rest of the Annexe.

Orange Sky Laundry Judi has spoken to the organisers and is awaiting guestimate on power costs before proceeding. If this goes ahead, they will be on site every Wednesday morning for 2 hours to coincide with the free Showers.

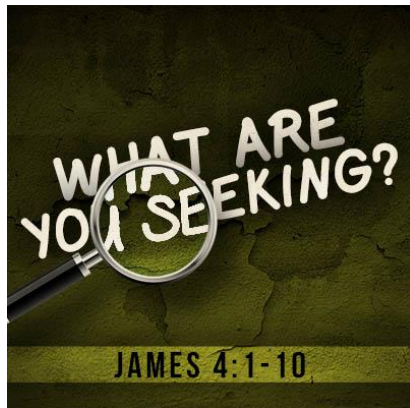


What are you seeking?

Pastor Judi will be seeking to meet with everyone over the next 3 months for an informal, confidential and honest chat. She will be seeking your comments about the direction the church is heading as it seeks to share Christ and His kingdom. Any ideas will be presented to the Board for consideration of implementation.

For example, one suggestion is to plan quarterly 'Bring a Friend' services as we become more proactive in welcoming others to Christ.

Our exploration of Lectio Divina was welcomed and a number of parishioners wish to continue this on a regular basis.



Yarrambah Special School in Aspendale

Are seeking volunteers to help with their **breakfast club**.

The work involves cutting up fruit, making toast and serving.
All the children live with intellectual and or
physical challenges.

The days and times offered are

Monday Wednesday and Friday from 830 to 930am

If you have some spare time please see Judi.



Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10

am Sunday

19 Feb 2017

Speaker: Judi - You are God's Temple

**Reading: Psalm 119:33-40 - Leah
1 Corinthians 3:10-11 & 16-23**

Communion: Jeanne / Judi



26 Feb 2017

Speaker: Judi - The Transfiguration

**Reading: Fiona - Exodus 24:12-18
Val - Matthew 17:1-9**

Communion: Val / Noel

5 Mar 2017

Speaker: Judi - Life Through Christ

**Reading: Terry - Psalm 32
Noel - Romans 5:12-19**

Communion: Noel / Chris

Country Gospellaires

Next appearing - 26 February 2017

The 4th Sunday of every month dust off those vocal chords and come along and enjoy some good old-fashioned Gospels in a warm and friendly environment.

WHAT'S ON

MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fit Mums Ladies in the shed Music with Mummies 	8-9.00 Hall 9.30-12.30pm 9.30-10.30 chapel
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CS Mornington in the Mens Shed Music for Mommies 	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 Meeting Bible Study for Women CS Aust Afternoon Games 	10—1030am Annex 1030—1130am Annex Men's Shed 9-12noon Annex 12 -3.30pm
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ladies in the shed 	10-1pm
SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worship Service Childrens Program 	10-11am—chapel Followed by cuppa—hall

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