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DRYSDALE UNITING CHURCH MESSY CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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Last Messy Church

February Messy Church coincided with the Winter Olympics and so the theme "You're always a winner on God's team" was a great fit. In the crafts we made rowers' snack, winning medals, athlete sculptures, bob sled skiers, and shoebox foosball. We also had balloon rockets flying across the room.



In the celebration service Rev Temukisa had us playing egg and spoon races and balloon games as she spoke about the importance of teamwork and being ready for our part in our team as well as God's team.

Remember you can check out the details of the crafts, the questions and some answers on the web site under Messy Church.

<https://drysdale.unitingchurch.org.au/messy-church/>

Feedback

Are you happy with the content of this newsletter? Would you like to see something included? Your suggestions are welcomed so please let Wayne know.

February Offering

The offering, which is taken each time, raised \$18.25 for our Messy Church operating costs. Thank you.



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Australian Messy Church Conference

Wayne Myers and Irene Stevenson attended the Australian Messy Church conference in Melbourne in February. With about 100 people from all around Australia and New Zealand along with the founder of Messy Church, Lucy Moore from the UK, this was a fantastic experience.

Irene commented that it was good to be affirmed that what we are doing is of a high standard—an aspect where we differ is only meeting every two months instead of the standard monthly. We are now into our seventh year and are growing our team.

It was noted that we could improve our discipleship through prayer as a team and by offering prayer opportunities for participants; that we could improve our consideration of the discussion question at each craft table (it is great to catch up with one another but we do need to take some time to think about answers to the questions); and could improve our linking of our crafts to the theme. We will try to make these improvements over the coming months.

Messy Church is church. It is not church on Sunday morning but is church on Sunday evening. It is not church with lots of singing, reading, and prayers but it is church that makes us think and allows us to learn about God in our world in a fun, and sometimes messy, way.





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Next Messy Church

Sunday 8 April is our next Messy Church which is in the middle of the school holidays so we hope that you will be able to come.

This month the theme is "The Miracles of Jesus". There are 37 miracles listed in the Bible and we will try to provide crafts that

reflect some of these; the idea of walking on water is probably a bit hard to be a craft but you never know what will happen.



The program will run as normal with 5.00 pm start for craft, 5.45 Celebration service and then 6.05 shared meal.

Prayer List

Families who have given permission have been allocated to a member of the congregation who each month will include the family members in their prayers. If you want that person to pray for a specific situation/need please let Wayne know.

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