

A typical Messy Church session

The hall is buzzing . . . Around a table adults and children burst into laughter as they wrestle with metallic tubing and googly eyes and their helpers despair of ever creating the promised artefact.

A toddler slaps green paint on a huge sheet of card under the watchful eye of a Granny (not sure if they're related or not - doesn't really matter).

A five-year-old watches wide-eyed as an enthusiastic leader shows her how to bang in a nail.

There's a delicious smell wafting out of the kitchen. The ten-year-olds, intent on their glass-painting, agree it must be jacket potatoes.

The minister takes a photo of the surreal result of the junk modelling while nearby two mums catch up on the gossip as they slowly decorate gift bags, the eyes

in the back of their heads firmly fixed on their children who are making something totally unidentifiable but definitely very, very chocolatey nearby.

The cooks should be getting the plates stacked, but one of the mums really needs to talk about her problems with her foster children.

Paul should be panicking about the story for the celebration later, but there's a huge collage of The Great Banquet to assemble before then, the powder paint has proved a formidable weapon of mess creation in the hands of Jack, and we've barely got started on the lettering and whoops, someone's kicked over the glue-pot...

Just another

Messy Church!

**BELDON-ILUKA
UNITING CHURCH
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INVITE YOU TO



3rd Sunday Monthly

4-6pm

**At the Beldon-Iluka
Uniting Church, Pacific
Way**

**It's messy... it's fun...
Its for the whole family**

Life is Messy!

... and life is complicated.



Especially for families. It can be really hard these days to find a time and place where you can do things together as a whole family and have good fun doing it!

It's also not always easy knowing how to talk about some of life's big questions together as a family... life, death, meaning, purpose, God, faith, hope, love... What's it all about? It can be hard, but it's important to help our children to think these things through for themselves, isn't it?

Messy Church is a place for families to do all these things together in a way that is fun and meaningful... and messy... all at the same time.

How does Messy Church work?

Messy Church is very simple:

- The first 15 minutes is a time to relax, chill and chat as people arrive
- The next hour is all craft and messy, hands-on fun.
- Then we have a very short celebration (worship) time of about 15 minutes, where we talk about the crafts we have made and how they connect to the theme of the day.
- Finally, we all tuck into a hearty dinner together!

So basically, it's...

CHILL . . .

CREATE . . .

CELEBRATE . . .

CHOMP . . .



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