

Saturday 9th May 2020

Dear Messy Church Family

As you know Messy Church is now postponed until the current national restrictions are lifted. We hope you had a go at some of our Messy Church@Home ideas in April. Our next meeting would have been this Saturday 9th May at Woodrow Meeting Rooms. I know we will again miss being together, but we can still have fun at home! This time our theme continues to explore what it means to be 'Following Jesus' and today we are thinking about 'Taking a step of faith'.

Here are some ideas to start you off. (Don't forget to have a drink and a snack!!) Also if you fancy having a go at some Messy Science activities go to https://www.messychurch.org.uk/resource/messy-church-does-science-take-home-ideas

<u>Story</u>

Follow this link to a video of Peter and the disciples on Lake Galilee where Peter takes <u>a 'step of faith'</u>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zETPEbrrPyo

Why not read the story for yourself in Matthew Chapter 14 verses 22-33

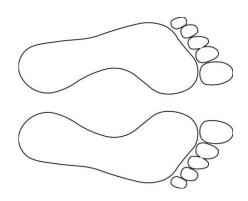
either in your own bible or online at

https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+14&version=CEV

<u>Activities</u>

Follow this link to some footprint activities

Draw round your foot like these outlines show -



or, if you are feeling really messy, why not use <u>washable</u> paint to make a coloured footprint.
You could even make lots of footprints as shown in the following link. (Use mud if you don't have any paint!!)

https://flamecreativekids.blogspot.com/2016/05/jesus-walks-on-water-messy-painting.html

Think about what you are bothered about at the moment.

Draw or write things around your footprints which concern or worry you.

What is stopping you from 'stepping out' and trusting Jesus in these situations?

Follow this link to a video which shows Indiana Jones taking a 'step of faith'

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MxPdqbmYi8U

We all face situations which test our faith just like 'superhero' Indiana Jones and also Peter did. Even though Jesus was actually physically there with Peter he struggled to believe. We are all 'in the same boat' so are we willing to step out of it?

<u>Song</u>

Follow this link to a song about trusting Jesus at all times

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7PjSO5Ihl0M

You may want to sing along with it if you know the song or just listen and think about the words.

Prayer

Tell God about the things which you have drawn or written around your footprints which are worrying you.

Ask God to calm your fears and help you to trust in Jesus - perhaps even for the first time.

We are praying for you - Mums, Dads, children and families in whatever circumstances you are at the moment.

PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW YOU GET ON AND POST SOME PICTURES (and tell us what you have to eat!!)

Love from

Messy Church @ Woodrow

P.S. Try not to get paint or mud all over the floor!!!