

Embracing Ministries

An initiative of the Anglican church of Canberra and Goulburn

Minnows Music Term 1, 2019



**Baby & Preschool Minnows
Starts 10am on Fri 15th Feb
Gordon Community Centre**

**Primary Minnows Group
Starts 10am on Sat 23rd Feb
Malkara School, Garran**



This month we have restarted our Wednesday morning prayers. We have found that it is a wonderful way to focus ourselves on God's love for us. It gives us peace and strength for the upcoming day and creates a sense of unity between us.

We want this time to be open to any of our Embracing Ministries' families who wish to come along. Morning prayers are every Wednesday during school term, starting at 9:00am at the Anglicare Office in Holt and led by Andrea.

Little Treasures

Registration is now open for the upcoming Little Treasures Program. Please let us know nice early if you are thinking of sending your precious ones along on the program. That way we can make sure you get a spot.

This year the program is looking as fun and joyful as always. So far, we have booked the Reptile Zoo and Rhythm Village to come and join us. There will be stories and worship, concentrating on celebrating and journeying towards Easter.

On the last day (the 17th) we will have an end of program service at 2:30pm where we will celebrate the gift of all people being welcomed to the banquet table together.

14th April 2:00pm - 3:00pm.
Meet and Greet

15th - 17th April 9am-2:30pm
Little Treasures
Christian Holiday Program

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Volunteers needed: Adults & Teenagers

At Embracing Ministries our programs cannot run without the support of our wonderful volunteers. With our upcoming holiday program, we are looking for mentors and leaders to help facilitate the groups. This would involve spending time with and supporting some primary school aged children.

Our previous mentors and leaders have found the experience very rewarding, enriching and fun. If you have previously helped out on one of our programs and want to come along again, please let us know

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Andrea or Ellen. They are always happy to discuss one of their favourite subjects.



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Family Service

This month at the Family Services at Hall and Charnwood Andrea spoke about God's love, what it looks like in our lives when we really live with God's love in our heart.

As always Andrea's preaching was beautiful and touching and made me reflect on whether I am truly living my life reflecting God's love. Was I rude to my husband the other day when he wanted to talk and all I wanted to do is watch TV. How much do I really rejoice in the truth?

Our next family service will be held on:

3 March 2019
9am at St Barnabas Anglican Church, Charnwood and
11am at St. Michaels Anglican Church, Hall

Introducing Janet

Janet McKinney's lived experience with disability, along with her experience as a teacher and in leading small group studies, gives her a deep understanding of the grace of God for those who are often left at the edges of the Church community. Janet is presently studying at St Mark's Theological College in Canberra.

Lent Bible Study led by Janet McKinney

I am pleased to be leading these Bible Studies for Embracing Ministries during Lent this year. I love working with a group of people who are wanting to learn more about their walk with God in faith.

This will be a time when we can be real about reaching out to God in a personal way, regardless of the circumstances we are in.

One of the most significant lessons of faith I have learned has come through the time when I became less and less able-bodied.

Eventually, I could no longer do that which brought me great joy in serving others, and I learned that my worth before God was not bound in what I could do, but in my heart response to His love for me.

This Bible study will give you an opportunity to discover from the Bible something of God's love for those who live with disability personally, in their family and in the family of God.

Janet McKinney

The Lenten Bible study will be held on:

10th March-14th April (six weeks)

3pm at St Barnabas Anglican Church, Charnwood



Elvira Alexandra Jean Austin

4 June 1976 – 8 February 2019

Friends and family are welcome to come and celebrate the life of Elvira (Ellie) in the Chapel of Norwood Park Crematorium, Sandford Street, Mitchell, Canberra on **Monday, 18 February 2019**

A viewing for Ellie will be between **10.30am - 11.00am** in the chapel
Service from **11.30am - 12.45pm**, followed by Burial at Gungahlin Cemetery (nearby) at **1.00pm**

Please wear **bright colours** in honour of Ellie

In lieu of Flowers, a GoFundMe page for Ellie's children has been set-up by her friends for voluntary donations, that are much appreciated. Adam will fulfil Ellie's wish to donate to several charities including; *Kids For Cancer, Ronald McDonald House, Rise Above, Project Box Seat and Camp Quality.*

<https://www.gofundme.com/heaven-help-ellie>

Refreshments following burial at: 13 Biffin Street, COOK

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Rest well in Eternal Peace our darling daughter: Mum and Dad

The Love of my Life - Adam Vai Delaney

We would like to thank all of our lovely friends and families who have kindly offered and provided food for all our families, especially Adam and his family. It has been greatly appreciated

We would also like to thank you for your prayers and thoughts for the family as we continue to pray that God will support Adam and their children at this time

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