

Messy Church at Home: January 2021

Joy

Email: secretary@wmbc.org.uk for the link.

Next Messy Church at Home: February 27<sup>th</sup> @ 4.00pm over zoom

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What fills you with joy? It might be splashing in puddles or flying a kite. Well we hope you will find joy doing some of the messy craft.

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## **Messy Activities**

Try these activities and think about our story we shared at Messy Church. If you can't get exactly these materials, just see what you can find around the house.

## 1. Painting is one of the things that has been proved to make one feel happy or joyful.



**How to.** Find paper and paints and paint something - anything. Just have a go. Why. God fills us with JOY when we ask him into our lives. If we just pick up a paintbrush and let him direct our thoughts and brush we will have fun!! Why not paint a picture and pop it in your front window of your house to bring JOY and possible laughter to all who pass. Adults can have fun with

paints!!

## 2. Thinking Activity --- 3 things to think about while you go for a family walk

Take a walk and think of 3 things and share:

- All the things that give you Joy.
- Your friends and what makes them a good friend and how much Joy do they give you?
- Try thinking about what Joy you get from having Jesus as a friend?

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JOY JOY JOY

Action Song: The Joy, Joy, Joy down in my heart

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTW5WCY37zU&list=RDGTW5WCY37zU&index=1

Jesus told a story of a woman who had lost a coin. She looked everywhere for this coin — turning the house upside down! This coin must have been very special, maybe a gift from her wedding - we just don't know. But what joy when she found her precious coin.

Jesus told this story to show how much God cares about every single one of us. Christians (followers of Jesus) believe that God made each one of us to know and love him every day.

We are much more precious than socks or umbrellas and the other things people lose. Getting lost is a horrid feeling. God doesn't want us to be lost. He wants to take care of us, just like that lady in the story wanted to take care of her money. Every single piece mattered to her – we matter that much to God.

That is something to be really joyful about.

## Prayer:

May I have joy in my heart, May I have Joy in my life, May I bring joy to others, May I spread joy throughout the world. Amen