

## What is Messy Church?

It's a form of church for children and adults that involves creativity, celebration, and hospitality. We meet once a month, typically a Friday from 5:00-7:00pm. All are welcome, whether or not you have church experience.

What a terrific and easy way to spend time together as a family at the end of a busy work week! Food—Fun—Family time together. Just come!

There are four components to MC:

- Welcome
- Craft time
- Celebration
- A meal

## How did it all Begin?

MC started in the UK in 2004 and became very popular, not only in the UK, but also in Canada. St. George's Anglican in Georgetown ON was the first Canadian church to start MC and it is still in operation, 15 years later.

### The Welcome.

Doors open at 4:45pm and families will be asked to sign a registration form and wear a name tag (first names only if desired). There is no fee, and children must be accompanied by an adult. MC is relaxed and dress is casual.

### The Activity Time.

There is a variety of activities to appeal to all genders, ages and learning styles.

### The Celebration.

Typically, our minister/pastor will tell a story from the Bible, (eg) Noah's Ark, and follow it up with a discussion about how this story can relate to our present lives, if at all.

## The Meal.

The program ends with a kid-friendly meal where everyone is invited to sit down at a table and share a meal together. All are welcome.