



Messy
CHURCH

What is Messy Church?



- Messy Church is a church for people of all ages who find it hard to go to more traditional church on Sunday mornings, even for 'family' service.
- Messy Church began in an Anglican Church near Portsmouth in 2004. It meets once a month at a time most suited to those in the local area, after-school or at the weekend.



- Welcoming the whole family together (not just children)
- Being a church not a club
- Eating together

Messy Church is not



- a children's activity afternoon
- a stepping stone to 'proper' church

A session...



- Welcome – doors open, introduction of the theme
- Crafts – everything related to the theme of the day
- Celebration – a short celebration service
- Meal – food shared together