

## Report for Messy Church 11<sup>th</sup> November 2017

The two Messy Church flags stayed upright outside All Saints Church on Saturday morning despite the blustery wind and heavy rain. Inside, six families were warm and dry and enjoying freshly made pancakes, cereals and coffee or juice along with the helpers.

After breakfast we moved on to a selection of activities which related to our theme of the peace and comfort brought to us by the Holy Spirit as promised by Jesus just before he was arrested. (John 14: 15-17).



Jesus' peace as completeness was demonstrated by putting together two jigsaws while the pieces were upside down. Fortunately they were small jigsaws or we would still be there! We also had a large outline of a person divided into different sections – family, friends, school, work, play and things that we like. Each person could write or draw in each section something (or person) that was important to them – it soon filled up with a wide variety of ideas.



Our 'science' activity involved mixing small amounts of vinegar, food colouring and Bicarbonate of Soda with dramatic results to demonstrate the power of the Holy Spirit. Finally, we mixed Rice Krispies (us) with chocolate (the Holy Spirit) to produce something wonderful and delicious, which showed how the Holy Spirit holds us together and is everywhere through us.



We finished with songs and a celebration led jointly by Alan Offord and Geoffrey Bennett which included a minute's silence as it was now 11am on 11<sup>th</sup> November.



The next Messy church is on Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup> at All Saints Church at 9.30 am. We would love to see you there.

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