



Sunday 2nd, September 2018

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

CREATE - After School Activity Club

3.30-6.00pm @ Playford Uniting Church

Call Nick: 0402 808 744

UPSIDE DOWN CIRCUS

A great opportunity to share the good news of Jesus to hundreds of families in the October school holidays. Come and join in the fun! Volunteers are needed in many areas - craft, welcoming, setup, security etc. All volunteers will be trained. For more information and to register as a volunteer see the website ([click here](#)) or chat to Robert Young on 0424 282 286.

http://www.northernadelaideoutreach.org/index.php?p=1_22

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 2nd September : Roger Brook
Compassion : *The Father's Heart*

Sunday 9th September : Rev. Pete Riggs
#SOBLESSED : Matthew 6:1-18
Blessed are the Quiet Achievers

Sunday 16th September : Henry Rouse
#SOBLESSED : Matthew 6:19-24
Blessed are the Treasure Hunters

Sunday 23rd Sept : Guest - Steve Early
#SOBLESSED : Matthew 6:25-34
Blessed are the Kingdom Seekers

Sermons Online

go to <http://playford.ucas.org.au/podcasts/>

Last week's message not available just yet.

Father's Day - a day that brings up so many different thoughts, feelings and memories. And if we're honest, they are not all happy. Father's Day is meant to be a day where we honour our Dads and celebrate them for all the hard work and sacrifices they have made for the family. And while many of us can celebrate and enjoy the day we acknowledge that for many others it is a difficult day.

For some there maybe a sense of grief over losing a father. For others it's having not known a father or even the pain of a father who has let them down in so many ways. Loss, hurt, pain, anger, remorse - all feelings that we would rather forget when everyone else is celebrating. Wouldn't it be great if we could all celebrate with joy on this Father's Day?

I'm reminded of the verse in Psalm 68:5 which describes God as "A father of the fatherless." I've occasionally heard people suggest that they don't like to call God Father because it brings up bad memories of a father who let them down. But I wonder if it's really a matter of perspective? If we think God is *like* our human fathers then I can understand why it would be a difficult idea to accept. But God is nothing like our human fathers - even the best ones.

God is not *like* our father, God *is* our Father. It is God who sets the standard of fatherhood. And He is a father to the fatherless. He is faithful, ever-present, full of compassion, mercy and grace. He is the perfect Father who longs to be your Father. That is something worth celebrating!

I hope to see you Sunday, Henry

COMING EVENTS

FATHER'S DAY - THIS Sunday, September 2nd. Everyone is invited to come at 9am for a special breakfast before the service. Roger Brook will be our guest speaker, from Compassion. Stay afterwards for our first ever Father's Day Touch Football Match!

CHURCH PICNIC - Sunday September 16th. A good old-fashioned picnic at the park across the road with games, prizes and a Treasure Hunt for the Kids! You can bring your own lunch or purchase lunch from our sausage sizzle.

SAYCO - Sat Sept 29th - Mon Oct 1st @ Woodcroft College. Yr 8-12. To register your kids or to volunteer to help out see Rachel Riggs or go to <http://sa.uca.org.au/sayco/>

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