

Playford



Weekly Update

12 SLEEPS 'TIL CHRISTMAS

Over the next few weeks there's a lot going on in and around Playford UC, and I'm sure in your house too. This Weekly Update is for the next 2 weeks, so grab a coffee, sit down for a minute and relax. It's important to take a moment to breathe despite all the busyness. When you're wondering where the "magic" of Christmas went, lift up your eyes and behold Jesus. Not just the baby Jesus in the manger, nor just the dying Jesus on the cross, but also the risen Jesus and returning King. Believe the impossible, that He wants to have a personal Encounter with you!

This Sunday, the 16th, the Playford Kids will be presenting their **Christmas Puppet Performance** during the morning service. Come along and encourage the kids and be blessed as they tell the Christmas story in their own unique way.

Next Friday, the 21st, is our **WonderFULL Christmas Festival**. A lot of work has gone on in the background but next week is when we really need to start getting the place ready and set up for our guest who will come. If you haven't already volunteered, please let Felicity know that you're available - there's plenty to do and you'll have fun doing it!

Sunday, the 23rd, Ken Wright will be continuing our Encounter series looking at **Joseph's Uncomfortable Encounter** - following God doesn't necessarily mean that everything goes smoothly.

Our **Christmas Eve service** on Tuesday, the 24th, will be a great time of celebration and reflection as Pete shares about **The Shepherd's Unlikely Encounter** - how God's good news is for everyone, even the least likely.

Please have a safe and happy Christmas, reflecting on the incredible gift God has given us in His Son, Jesus.

Grace & Peace, from Pete & Henry

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Fellowship Christmas BBQ - This Saturday 15th December. See Tony Craig for details.

Jump Kid's Christmas Puppets - Sunday 16th during the Service. FINAL Rehearsal, Sat. 15th 2pm-4pm. Kids arrive @9am on Sunday.

WonderFull Christmas Festival - Friday 21st December, 5pm.

Sunday 16th & 23rd,
December 2018

CREATE - After School Activity Club

In Recess for the School Holidays



Only 1 week to go but it's not too late to volunteer to help out at the WonderFull Christmas Festival.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 16th Dec

Kid's Christmas Puppet Performance

Sunday 23rd Dec : Ken Wright

Joseph's Uncomfortable Encounter

Matthew 1:18-25

Monday 24th Dec : Rev. Peter Riggs

Christmas Eve @ 7.30pm

The Shepherd's Unlikely Encounter

Luke 2:1-20

- **NO CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE** -

Sunday 30th Dec : Henry Rouse

Herod's Undeniable Encounter

Matthew 2:1-12

Local Christmas Day Services :

Gawler Uniting Church - 9.30am

Elizabeth Church of Christ - 9.30am

To hear last Sunday's Message

By Henry Rouse

Click here "[Mary's Impossible Encounter](#)"

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

We would like to acknowledge that the land we meet on is the traditional lands for the Kaurana people.

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