



9th June 2019

### Pentecost Sunday - Long Weekend

This weekend we look forward to celebrating Pentecost - the pouring out of the God's Holy Spirit upon ordinary folks, seeing the incredible birth of a whole new humanity, the church. It is rather ironic that we should celebrate such world-changing and life-altering event, on the institution that is the long weekend.

On the surface the two celebrations seem to be in contrast, as living in the land of the long weekend seems to have more to do with downing tools, sleeping in and escaping to a quiet place in the country, than it does with the active fervor of fire and excitement of supernatural transformation.

Yet as we dig a little deeper we see that just as the long weekend is indeed a much anticipated and timely opportunity for renewal and rest, and a sense of freedom (and sometimes involves a campfire), so too the coming of the Spirit, as wind and fire, refreshes, enlivens and fills all those who draw near.

So, wherever you head this long weekend, be assured that where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. Long weekend or not!

"Those in whom the Spirit comes to live are God's new Temple. They are, individually and corporately, places where heaven and earth meet."

— N.T. Wright, 'Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense'

Grace and peace, Pete

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### Decisions from Playford Church Meeting

Last Sunday, June 2nd, three decisions were made.

1. Glenn Nitschke was appointed as Congregation Chairperson
2. Darryl Kowald was appointed as Congregation Secretary
3. Playford UC voted to join the Generate Presbytery

Thank you to all who participated in the life of Playford UC in this way. We look forward to moving ahead in God's grace in this next season to see lives transformed in the Playford community.

We acknowledge that the land we meet on is the traditional lands for the Kurna people.

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### CREATE - After School Activity Club

Tuesday's 3.30-5.30pm  
@Playford Uniting Church  
Call Nick : 0402 808 744

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### Chaplaincy Fundraiser

Toy Story 4 - Gawler Cinema  
Monday June 24, 7pm for 7.30 start  
Tickets: Adults & Kids \$13  
Available from PUC Office

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### LIVE LIFE LOUD - Youth

Friday June 21st - Save the date!  
**VIBE Youth** - Yr 7-12  
Travelling to SEEDS UC  
More details to come

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### Community Space Brief

To find out more about what's happening at the Space check the Community Space Brief [here](#) or contact Felicity to be put on the mailing list.

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### UPCOMING SERVICES

**Sunday 9th June: Henry Rouse**  
*Pentecost Sunday*  
*Passionately Pursue the Holy Spirit*

**Sunday June 16th: Pete Riggs**  
*A Story of Passionate Pursuit*  
Jonah 1

**Sunday June 23rd: Pete Riggs**  
*A Story of Passionate Pursuit*  
Jonah 2

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**Sermon - By Gillian Powis**  
**Passionately Pursue the Kingdom**  
***"The Parable of the Dragnet"***

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

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