Dear Playford Family,

Welcome to Friday. Earlier this week I let you know that we would be meeting as a Mission Council on Thursday night, primarily to respond to the changing landscape of how we function as the church here at Playford.

As we shared, prayed and listened, a few things emerged for us:

- 1. The vital task of ensuring that we remain as connected to each other as possible.
- 2. The reality that we aren't able to continue gathering as we currently do.
- 3. Exploring new creative ways of teaching, encouraging and communicating.
- 4. Exciting possibilities of expressing the faith, love and hope of Jesus in new ways.
- 5. The fact that there is still more thinking and planning to do.

The decision was reached that sadly **we will not meet as a community at the space this upcoming weekend**. This may not come as a complete surprise, given what has been going on. And with the Prime Ministers latest announcement about indoor gatherings, it becomes just a little bit harder.

So, will anything be happening instead. YES!

The Mission Council will meet again this Sunday, looking at how we can best care for, encourage, teach and communicate going forward.

This Sunday morning at 10am Henry will be coming to your screens for the first of our online messages on our Playford Uniting Church Facebook page, so why not gather a few folks at your place, or a coffee shop and be church together.

Grace and Peace, Pete
On behalf of Playford Mission Council

### THIS SUNDAY @ PUC

Since we will not be meeting together for our regular 10am service please feel free to log on to our Playford Uniting Church Facebook page at 10am Sunday to watch a video message from Henry Rouse – **God's Love is... Stronger!** 

### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Last week's Podcast, March 15th by Pete Riggs – God's Love is ... Unconditional

# **GET EXCITED ABOUT**

#### **SERMON SERIES:**

We currently do not have specific details about what our services or meetings may look like in the immediate future however we do plan at this time to continue our current series up to and through Easter. We will continue our God's Love is... series with: **God's Love is... Purifying, Faithful, Sacrificial and Secure.** 

### **EVENTS**:

**KCO:** Kids Sleepover - Sat-Sun, March 21st-22nd at Playford UC. This event will still be going ahead and all necessary precautions will be taken to ensure the health and safety of all involved. For more information contact Deb Cockburn - 0457 855 223

**PUC Newcomers Lunch** – Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> - **POSTPONED**Due to the current situation we have decided to postpone this event for now.

# **Tony's Great Shave** - Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> - **POSTPONED**Unfortunately, this event has also been postponed by the organisers. Whilst Tony is looking forward to completing this challenge in the future he has assured us he will

be getting a little trim in the meantime.

### FYI

The care and safety of children is a priority for us here at Playford UC and our kids are a vital part of our community. Every person who volunteers in any area of the church where children are involved (that's pretty much everywhere) is required to have a valid Uniting Church Working With Children Check (WWCC).

# Without a valid WWCC you will not be able to volunteer at Playford UC.

The process to get this done is to go to <a href="https://sa.uca.org.au/safechurch/screening">https://sa.uca.org.au/safechurch/screening</a> and follow the 3 steps. Any questions regarding this can be directed to the Safe Church email address - <a href="mailto:SafeChurch@playforduc.org.au">SafeChurch@playforduc.org.au</a>

It is important to remember that Playford Uniting Church will not be simply 'closing its doors' at this time. Our programs may look different but our commitment to ministry and to the care of our kids, remains the same. So, please let's continue to make sure that we are doing our duty when it comes to things like getting our WWCC's.

We'll miss gathering with you this Sunday but please be assured that we will do everything we can to plan well so that we can be a people that remain connected with each other and active in our worship and witness as we continue to seek to cultivate hope in a world that is looking for answers.

For His glory and our joy, Henry Rouse

### P.S.

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

John Wesley

# **Playford Uniting Church**

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

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