

This Sunday at Riverside

This week Josh is continuing the Advent King vs King series with a look at King Hezekiah and how he compares with King Jesus and what we can learn from them both, particularly with regards to the next generation.

Next Sunday at Riverside

Next week Darren will be looking at King Nebuchadnezzar in the next of our series King vs King. Read Daniel chapters 1-3 for some background.

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Monday	8th December	Building Closed	Brekky Packs available
Tuesday to Friday		Brekky Club	9am - 9:30am
Tuesday	9th December	Café and Play Café	9am - 1:30pm
		Little Boat, Big River	4pm - 5:30pm
Wednesday	10th December	Bubbles	9:30am - 11:30am
		Café and Play Café	11:30am - 1:30pm
Thursday	11th December	Café and Play Café	9am - 1:30pm
		Creationships	10:30am - 12noon
		Prayer Meeting	6:45pm
Friday	12th December	Café and Play Café	9am - 1:30pm
Saturday	13th December	Brekky Club	9am - 10am
Sunday	14th December	Riverside Worship	11am
	3rd Sunday of Advent	Splash	11:45am - 12:30pm

Generous Hearts

For those of you who feel led by the Holy Spirit to give financially to Riverside, whether that be regularly or on special occasions. Please talk to or email Kate for the BPAY details. kate.adami@salvationarmy.org.au
We can also accept EFTPOS through the Café till or cash in the offering.



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December

14th 2025

17 Edith Street Gawler East

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Christmas in our Community

It was so good to see so many people line the streets for this years Gawler Christmas Parade. But better than that was the hearing the joy and laughter of the children as they saw the puppets in the Stable Scene created on the back of the Ute, created by Shane Waycott.

I want to say a huge thank you to all those who took part either dressing up, puppeteering or driving the vehicle. Great job guys. I also thought I did well not to fall off the bonnet of the Ute as I paraded the Hope Cup.



Christmas Market

Every Friday we have a beautiful group of young people come to Riverside to take part in a session called 'Brain Gym' run by a local Occupational Therapist called Joanne Robertson. These guys have become really close to our hearts and we want to support them by advertising their Christmas Market. Each one has worked hard in developing their ideas and producing arts and crafts, food and games to sell and play, so please drop into the Uniting Church on Tod Street next Friday and be blessed by these wonderful young people.



Christmas Street-Carolling

Carolling this week at 6:30pm on:

- 7/12 Gawler East, meeting at Riverside
- 10/12 Hewett, meeting at McKinlay Square
- 12/12 Willaston, meeting at Cnr Holmes and Panter Streets
- 14/12 Angle Vale, Bus from Riverside at 6:15pm

Thank you to Trinity College

The Burton Coombs House at Trinity College took it upon themselves to raise money to support those sleeping rough in our town and as a part of this year's Hope Cup effort. The House Captain's, Chloe, Harry and Rufesa did a great job leading the house in their campaign and were able to present Riverside with eleven top quality winter hooded sleeping bags. Well done everyone.

Hope Cup Art Competition Winner



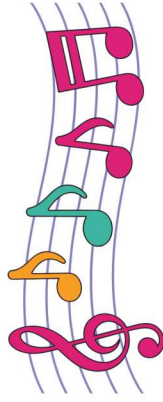
Darren had the privilege of presenting Miller Coad with the winning prize in this year's Hope Cup Art competition. Miller used pencils and paper collage to produce a beautiful piece of art inspired by the theme 'Hope in our Community'. He called his work, light breaking through darkness' and choose the symbolism of a bird breaking out of an egg into the light to get his message across. His art work will be used in the publicity for Hope Cup 2026.

Kauwe Purunna (Bush School) - Christmas Party

It was so beautiful to see and be part of the Bush School Christmas Party. Not only to witness the dancing and energy of those who attend but to see our beautiful gardens being used and enjoyed by our community. Well done to Sam Sands and her team.



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Sermon by
Josh Sanders
Available on App
and Website

Touch Point

Touch Points: King Hezekiah vs King Jesus

Q1. What is your fondest memory of your childhood?

Q2. Why do you think we have such a strong emphasis of Christmas being for the children?

Read: Isaiah 39:1-9 and discuss.

Q3. What did Hezekiah get wrong?

Q4. While it is good to be in a church that we enjoy and meets our needs, it is important to be thinking about how we engage the next generation and their needs. What are some of the challenges we face in engaging the next generation?

Read Luke 1:26-38

Q5 How old were Elizabeth and Mary? Why do you think God chose both the old and the young?

Q6. Why choose Mary to be the mother of King Jesus, God could have chosen anyone? Was her age important in his decision?

Read Mary's response in Luke 1:46-56

Q7. What does Mary's song tell us about God and people? How might this impact our lives, how are we going to apply what we've read today to our lives?

Q8. What does it take for us to be a church that always looks towards the next generation? What do we need to lay down or change to continue to see the next generation flourish here at Riverside?

Q9 How do we empower our young people? What does it look like to let them take risks and not always get it right?



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