

## This Sunday at Riverside

Today Darren will continue to explore the differing stages of spiritual maturity as he preaches the second of his 5 week series 'Growing Up'. We will be looking at the hallmarks of Spiritual Infants and what they need deposited in their lives by spiritual parents. The Bible passages for you to read in preparation will be 1 Peter 2:2 and Hebrews 5:11-14.

## Next Sunday at Riverside

Josh will be continuing his series on Rest, focussing on Sabbath and the importance of using Sabbath as a defence against the busyness and restlessness of this world. He will be using Matthew 12:43 and Mark 2:27 so take time to read in advance to prepare your hearts.

## This Week at Riverside

Tuesday	5th Nov	Bubbles	9:30am - 11:30am
		Purrana Gardening Club	10am
		Café and Play Café	11:30am - 2pm
Wednesday	6th Nov	Bubbles	9:30am - 11:30am
		Café and Play Café	11:30am - 2pm
Thursday	7th Nov	Café and Play Café	9am - 2pm
		Home League	10am - 12pm
		Creationships	12pm
		Prayer Meeting	6:45pm
Friday	8th Nov	Café and Play Café	9am - 2pm
		Shout Youth	7pm - 9pm
Saturday	9th Nov	Brekky Club	8am - 10am
Sunday	10th Nov	Prayer Meeting	9am
		Riverside Worship Service	9:45am - 11:15am
		Splash	11:45am - 12:30pm

As Bubbles returns for Term 4, the Café and Soft Play Area will be open from 11.30am - 2pm on Tuesday and Wednesday, and 9am—2pm on Thursday and Friday. Cost is \$2 per child, pay at the Café. If you want to come for our Brunch or Lunch Session in the Soft Play Area, **please make sure you book in on the Eventbrite Link which is pinned to the top of our Facebook page.**



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November 3rd  
2024



**RIVERSIDE**  
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## Christmas Wish List 2024

I'm sure many of you parents and grandparents are already getting hints, subtle and not so subtle, for Christmas present wishes from your nearest and dearest. Well I'm going to be doing the same right now, the pageant has happened so I think it's perfectly acceptable to start talking about what I want for Christmas.

1. **I would love have a Christmas Day meal at Riverside for all those lonely, on their own or on the streets:**



We have done this over the last few years under the leadership and guidance of Mal and Deb McCann, unfortunately they are unable to organise the event this year so we are looking for an individual or team of people to step in and make this happen. Please let Mal or Darren know if this is something the Lord has put on your heart to do.

2. **I would love to have a Christmas Choir again this year involving all ages and capabilities.**

This has also been a feature of our Riverside Christmas over the past few years but Haley Byford is unable to lead a choir this year but Kate Adami has stepped in and is looking for some enthusiastic singers to come together and learn a couple of Christmas Songs. If you are interested please sign up on the form in the foyer.



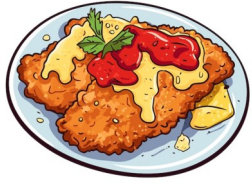
3. **I would love to have teams of carol singers going out on a couple of evenings before Christmas to simply bless our neighbours.**

Mal is going to organise this for us and I know it will be a blessing for all who go out and sing. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you are keen.

4. **I would love people to be invited to all our Christmas Events.**

This is a wonderful time of the year to invite your friends, family and acquaintances to 'come and see'. We will be producing some personalised invites for Christmas events so please get praying about who you are going to ask to come along with you.

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## Schnitzel Night—Monday 4th November

Don't forget to book your table at the Gawler Arms for the Schnitzel Night Hope Cup Fundraiser. \$5 from every adult schnitzel will be donated to the Hope Cup. Bookings from 5:30pm - 8pm. Trivia from 7pm. Remember to mention the Hope Cup when booking and ordering your meals.

### Thank You

I want to say a huge thank you to all those who came on Thursday evening to discuss the 'financial' situation of Riverside. This was a helpful exercise and clarified exactly where we are and what we have to do. Thank you Kate for all the hard work you put into this event.

Also a huge thank you to Heather Nelson who has taken on the cleaning of the parts of the church used on a daily basis, you are doing a great job Heather.

Finally thank you to Mary who was able to provide a TV for the family who recently escaped a DV situation. You were a real blessing Mary.

### Hope Cup 2024—14 days and counting

**The HOPE cup**  
**17th November 2024**  
**9:45am - 4:30pm**  
**Sandy Creek Oval**

**Charity Cricket Challenge Match and Family Fun Day**

**THE BAND OF THE SA POLICE**

**VEHICLE DISPLAYS**

**SCHOOL BANNER DISPLAY**

**JUNIOR TRADIES**

**Food, drinks, jumping castles, petting zoo, face painting, market stalls AND SO MUCH MORE**

**Gold Coin Donation at Gate**

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# Touch Point

Sermon by  
Darren Dwyer  
Available on App and  
Website



## Spiritual Infants

Q1. What is your first response when confronted with a new born baby? Are you enchanted and want a cuddle or do you recoil and keep a distance? Explain why?

### Read 1 Peter 2:2

Q2. Why do you think Peter uses the word 'crave' in this passage, what is he trying to express?

Q3. Peter also talks about 'pure' spiritual milk, why does he mention the quality of the milk? What would happen spiritually if the milk was not completely pure?

### Read Corinthians 3:1

Q4. What do you think about Paul saying that Christians can still be controlled by their sinful nature? What does he imply will overcome this?

*If we have the joy of parenting an infant human, there are several key developmental markers that medical people look for to see if the child is progressing and growing healthily. It is the same with spiritual babies.*

Q5. In his Sermon Darren talked about a spiritual infant finding their voice, what do you think this relates to, and why is this important?

Q6. Darren also talked about a spiritual infant becoming aware of their identity. Why is this crucial for normal spiritual growth?

*Finally Darren said a spiritual infant has to be able to show an understanding of their own story and where they fit in God's story. Knowing your own story and where you belong gives a sense of security, acceptance and significance as well as promoting resilience.*

Q7. Take some time to reflect on your own identity, do you know who you are in Christ and do you know and believe what Father God says about you? Have you developed a voice to pray, worship, confess and share honestly what is going on inside yourself? Can you share your story and how Jesus is part of it? Share your reflections and take time to pray for each other.

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