



riverside church

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DECEMBER 2017

DECEMBER READINGS:

1. Rom. 5-8
2. Rom. 9-12
3. Rom. 13-16
4. Eph. 1-4
5. Eph. 5,6; Ps. 119: 1-80
6. Phil. 1-4
7. Col. 1-4
8. 1 Tim. 1-4
9. 1 Tim. 5,6; Tit. 1-3
10. 2 Tim. 1-4
11. Philem; Heb. 1-4
12. Heb. 5-8
13. Heb. 9-11
14. Heb. 12,13; Jude
15. Jas. 1-5
16. 1 Pet. 1-5
17. 2 Pet. 1-3; Jn. 1
18. Jn. 2-4
19. Jn. 5,6
20. Jn. 7,8
21. Jn. 9-11
22. Jn. 12-14
23. Jn. 15-18
24. Jn. 19-21
25. 1 Jn. 1-5
26. Ps. 117,119:81-176; 2 Jn.; 3 Jn.
27. Rev. 1-4
28. Rev. 5-9
29. Rev. 10-14
30. Rev. 15-18
31. Rev. 19-22



From the Pastors' Desk...

Hello Everyone - Welcome to Church!

December is always a busy and exciting month because of Christmas! Time for family, food, fun and presents! Can't forget the presents! But the greatness of the Christmas Story transcends all these things.

We all have our own special memories and thoughts about Christmas. As we read the Christmas Story in the Word, we can understand it more through the eyes of the people that were there because of what they experienced. Here are just a few:

- a. The shepherds. Shepherds had so little status in first-century Palestine, they weren't even deemed reliable enough to testify in court. But, as always, God values people differently to how we often do, and He chose society's lowest to announce His Son's arrival. If you ever ask yourself the question, "Could God use someone like me?" Remember, God looks for those who are willing and available.
- b. Those that heard the shepherd's story were 'amazed'. God's grace still amazes people; God is still reconciling the world to Himself; God is still transforming people and bringing wholeness where there has been brokenness. He invites us into that work of reconciliation. He calls us His co-labourers. He has chosen you and me for the work that Jesus began... the gospel of salvation for all people!
- c. Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. She chose to move beyond fear to take part in what God was doing. We can all take inspiration from that.

This month we will be going through a series "*Through the Eyes of... Angels, Priests, Kings and Shepherds*", looking at different perspectives on this amazing time.

As you enjoy the many aspects of Christmas, take the time to treasure what it does mean and also what it can mean for you, because that is truly amazing! I encourage you to take time on Christmas Day, together with your family, to read the Christmas Story from *Luke 2:1-20*.

Paivi and I wish you a blessed and safe Christmas as you celebrate God's amazing gift.

Pastor Jim



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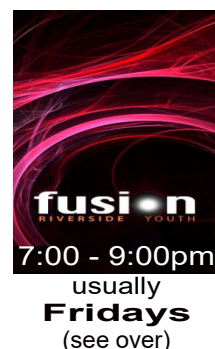
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Connect Groups...

On holiday until the end of January.

PowerKids...

...a fun program during church for children aged 4-12 after worship concludes (all leaders Blue Carded). Breaking up 10 December for the holidays.

Glowbugs...

Letting our little lights shine!

A program run for 1 - 4 year olds after worship concludes.

~ Fun ~ Stories ~ Songs ~

~ Play for Toddlers ~

Talk to a Welcome Team member at the door for directions.



SERMONS can be downloaded from iTunes. Go to the church website at www.riversidecc.org.au and click on 'Social Media' > iTunes

Electronic Giving...

For those who find it more convenient to give electronically, deposits can be made directly to the church account.

New Bank Details

Bank: Westpac

Acc Name: Riverside Christian Church

BSB No: 034 087

Acc No: 073522

Please designate 'Tithes', 'Missions', 'Building Fund', etc, in the transaction description.

... Mobile EFTPOS machine at the Welcome Desk.

Prayer Requests...

If you have an emergency prayer request, please contact the church office (3278 5969) or Lena (0431 231 687) for passing to the Prayer Team.



Prayer requests can be posted on the Riverside [facebook](#) (closed group) page.

FUSION YOUTH – Wet 'n' Wild

... Saturday 9 December

... Meet at the church; 8:00am departure, returning 5:00pm. Cost: \$35.00 including lunch. No Friday meeting this week. Last event for 2017 (on holiday 'til end of January). Facebook group: @FusionYouthChelmer. Instagram@fusion_youth

