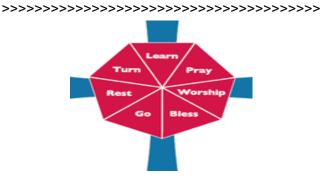


July 21 2019

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone. If you are visiting with us, please let us get to know you after the service. Morning tea is served in the Hall.



Services Today

Montville Maleny Palmwoods 8.15am Rev Graham Dempster
9.45am Rev Bruce Johnson
10.00am Rev Graham Dempster
1pm Tongan Service

Readings (Pentecost 6)

Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52

Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

Services Next Week July 28

Montville Maleny Palmwoods 8.15am Rev Bruce Johnson 9.45am Mr Peter Uhlmann 10.00am Rev Bruce Johnson 1pm Tongan Service

Readings (Pentecost 8)

Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85

Colossians 2:6-15(16-19) Luke 11:1- 13

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The Week Ahead

Open Daily: Reflection Gallery Montville (see over)

Tuesday July 23rd

7.00am Prayers at Moyra's 5494 2661 9am-3pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Wednesday July 24th

8.30am Christian Meditation 5435 8152

Thursday July 25th

9am-3pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Friday July 26th

1.30pm Know Your Bible (KYB) 5494 2486

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The Cosmic Christ

Colossians 1:15-28

How do you describe the invisible? Some say, don't try; if you can't experience it through your senses, it doesn't exist. However, there are spiritual realities that cannot be denied, invisible but powerful. Take love for example. Love is expressed through physical realities, but love itself remains invisible. So it is with God. God is invisible and intangible yet sensed through creation.

God is reflected in existence – in nature taken as a whole and as known in individual parts. Similarly, God is reflected in human life. That's what Genesis 1:27 refers to when it says that people are made in the image of God. They reflect God in some way. However, there is one particular person who can be called the "image of the invisible God" in a special and distinctive way (Colossians 1:15). As ancient kings used to be thought of as the image of some god or other, so Jesus as the Messianic king is the image of God.

By calling Christ the firstborn of all creation, that passage says that he is like the first-born son of a king, the most important person in the realm. John 1:14 says Jesus was the Word of God made flesh, similarly Colossians says that Jesus as the Christ was the agent through whom the Creator brought everything into existence both physical and spiritual; he is before all things and in him all things hold together. At the same time, Christ is the living head of the church.

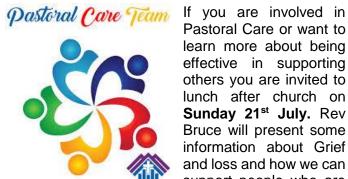
In his resurrection, he led the "resurrection parade" (as the Message puts it). People are raised to new life now because he was raised from the dead. God was in Christ, not in the limited way that God can be said to be present in everyone, but fully and completely, and through him, through whom God created everything, God reconciled everything and everyone to himself through his death on the cross.

- If you can, share an experience that you have had of God in nature?
- What do you think it means to say that human beings are made in the image of God?
- If people are made in the image of God, what is different about Jesus Christ being the image of the invisible God?
- If, as Colossians 1:20-21 says, God was in Christ reconciling all things to himself through the crucifixion of Jesus, how come people still live unreconciled to God?

Rev Ron Potter

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TODAY - PASTORAL CARE MEETING



Pastoral Care or want to learn more about being effective in supporting others you are invited to lunch after church on Sunday 21st July. Rev Bruce will present some information about Grief and loss and how we can support people who are

going through this difficult stage of life. This meeting will take place after Church and lunch will provided. Everyone is very welcome. Please indicate on sheet of paper at the back of the Church if you are attending.

GARAGE SALE DECLUTTER TIME

Keep those pre-loved goods coming in for the 3



August Garage sale. Contact Murray 0409268665. or Stan 0428780832 if you have goods to be picked up. In aid of the Conondale School Chaplain Service, Becky Francis.

GARAGE SALE VOLUNTEERS MEETNG. This will be held on Monday 29 July, at 1 00pm. Purpose of meeting: Volunteer training, risk identification, allocation of tasks. Its not to late to register as a volunteer. Please add your name to the sheet at rear of Maleny Church.

REFLECTION GALLERY

The Reflection Gallery in the Montville Uniting Church will, from the beginning of August, feature works painted by indigenous artist, Jasmine Davies, a member of our Palmwoods Congregation. The theme for this collection is Family. Jasmine finds the traditional format of Aboriginal art to be an excellent medium for expressing her faith and feeling.

PRAYER & MEDITATION

'SOIL & SOUL' – (Palmwoods Community Garden) on Friday mornings at 8am. All welcome.

Guided Gardening at 7am each Saturday morning (weather permitting). Will be 8am when weather cools down.

"PERFECT STORM" LOOMING IN AGED CARE

UnitingCare Australia has warned of the possibility of a "perfect storm" emerging in aged care, as older Australians face the prospect of being unable to access the supports they need. This is due to a deepening crisis of providers lacking the financial resources to meet the demands of quality service provision. -- Uniting News

MALENY HIGH SCHOOL **CHAPLAINCY MORNING TEA**

A "Chappy Vintage Tea" will be held at The Orangery on Cairncross Corner on Wednesday, 31st July, starting at 10.30am.



This an opportunity to meet the new High School Chaplain, Micah Jones, to enjoy some delicious cakes and refreshments and to help support the work of the chaplain.

The cost is \$20 per

person and if you book a table for 10 or more, each person receives a free raffle ticket.

Tickets are available at Maleny Optical, Nellie's Hair Design, The Orangery, Maleny High School or online @FaceBook: Maleny State High School.

Please pre-purchase tickets as it helps with catering.

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS UNITE YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT



Unite is an amazing time for young adults (Year 12 to 30 years old) across Queensland to come together from 2 to 4 August. In a relaxing environment at Alexandra

Conference Centre in Alexandra Headland you'll mingle with other young adults and be refreshed through worship, electives and chill times.

To register visit

https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=514853

-- Uniting News

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