

Maleny | Montville | Palmwoods

October 6 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 8.15am Rev Bruce Johnson Malenv 9.45am Rev Bruce Johnson HC Palmwoods Rev George Woodward 10.00am **Tongan Service** 1.00pm

Readings (Pent 17)

Lamentations 1:1-6, Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137,

2 Timothy 1:1-14, Luke 17:5-10

Services Next Week October 13

Rev Bruce Johnson HC Montville 8.15am 9.45am Mr Peter Uhlmann Maleny Palmwoods 10.00am Rev Bruce Johnson HC

Readings (Pent 18)

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7, Psalm 66:1-12, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, Luke 17:11-19 >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>

The Week Ahead

Open Daily: Reflection Gallery Montville (see over)

Tuesday October 15th

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

Wednesday October 16th

8.30am Christian Meditation 5435 8152

Thursday October 17th

9am-3pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Friday October 18th

Know Your Bible (KYB) 5494 2486 1.30pm

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Confidently Christian

2 Timothy 1:1-14 ,Luke 17:5-10

As herd animals, we all feel the need to belong. We are part of a community, not isolated individuals. So there is a constant pressure to conform. But most of us live in several communities at once - maybe one at work, another at home, yet another at the club, when out with the boys or at coffee with the girls and so on.

The way we talk and behave differs according to the group we are in. It's all part of our need to feel accepted and appreciated. It is as though we have several identities, and sometimes these identities vie with one another for supremacy. We can ask ourselves: Which identity is most important to me? My work self, my family self, my church self, etc? This then is a person's dominant identity, and we give preference to the demands of that group.

But if we belong to Christ, we have another identity. One that does not come from group belonging. It comes from our relationship with God in Christ. In this relationship we know that we are saved, reconciled, accepted, loved, and called, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to follow Christ in daily life. At some point, the prompting of God's Spirit will conflict with the urgings that come from our other identities. Not always.

Frequently, depending upon the groups that we belong to, the group pressures are consistent with Christ's leading. But there are times when we have to make up our minds whether it is God's way or another way that we are going to go. It is then that we are invited to stand with Paul and declare, "I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust". In him we have our controlling identity. We know, at the deepest level of our being, who we are and what this requires of us. Through him, we are able to contribute something that is very important for the groups to which we belong.

- To what extent does church, sporting team, employment, friends, family or nationality influence what you wear or eat?
- In what way is belonging to Christ different from belonging to a social group?
- If a person is ashamed of Christ, how does it show?
- As a community of Christ's people, how does the church help you remain strong in the face of temptation?

Piula Publications Rev Ron Potter

TODAY - Lindy Chamberlain for a speaking event at the Maleny Uniting Church at 2pm.

GROWING IN FAITH AND LOVE. -

Montville

Today-What's the relationship between worship and service?

Maleny

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20 October -ls there wisdom in the Wisdom Literature?

Palmwoods

13 October - God of the living and the dead.

27 October - What is the relationship between worship and service?

UPDATE ON REV LIENA HOFFMAN

Praise God .. Rev Liena advises that her visa application has been approved.

This clears the way to take up the Ministry Agent position.

We anticipate Rev. Liena's arrival in early November to take up the position in mid-November.

MANSE FURNISHING

We need some basic furnishings to make up the shortfall between Rev Liena taking up residency in the manse and her stuff arriving (could be up to 3 months). We have some furniture already and need a bed, a study desk and chair, linen, cups, plates, toaster and other small items.

See Peter Callaghan to register interest.

REFLECTION GALLERY

You and your friends are invited to visit the Reflection Gallery in the Montville Uniting Church any day between 10 and 3 where Rev. Ron Potter presents his personal testimony in a collection of paintings exhibited under the theme of Spirit, Life and Wonder. If visiting groups want to make sure that it is open outside those hours contact Ron on 0407631314.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT MALENY 7 00PM

It's time to start planning our Christmas Services. Murray is coordinating Christmas Eve. The theme will link to the Christmas Tree Festival: Old becomes new at Christmas. Murray needs to find out who is willing to be involved. Possibilities include: singing group, play and instrument, helping with children for a nativity component; participating in a presentation (not sure what as yet; depends on who is available). You don't need to be an expert in any of this!

Our Christmas services play a vital part in our outreach to people who do not always attend. There is a sheet at the rear of church for you to indicate your interest and support. More details: Murray

SAVE THE DATE: EBENEZER FUNDRAISER

Day: Thursday November 21, Location: The Orangery

Maleny.Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm

Tickets: \$20 pp, Booking online: www.ebenezerfundraiservintagetea.floktu.com/

Alternate booking options: Please email Lenore

ric1945len@yahoo.com.au or call 0407672076 Supporting the Ebenezer Child Care Trust, in

Livingstone, Zambia.

OFFERINGS can be Direct Debited through the ANZ Bank, BSB 014-507 A/c 3762 29735.

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ALEX PARK FAMILY CAMP

Unite is an amazing time for families camp from **27 Dec 2019 to 2 January 2020.** In a relaxing environment at Alexandra Park Conference Centre. **New family offer**- Try out Family Camp with a 3 day "Taster". If you enjoy it, extend for the rest of the week.

- Just 200 metres from the patrolled surf beach
- No cooking
- Daily suggested activites
- · Do as much or as little as you like
- Kids meet new friends and play in a safe environment.
- Inclusive community
- Optional daily reflection at chapel in the evening;

GROWING WITH BLUECARE AND EROWAL

The BlueCare Chaplain Natalie Roy is trying to build some new links with our congregation. There are a few ways we could participate in the support of Erowal Residents.

Men's Shed provides an opportunity for the men to gather and chat over a pie and beer/soft drink. Male volunteers are required on Tuesday from 1:30-3:30pm. You would be involved in assisting residents to and from "The Shed" and setting up and participating any activities.

In line with the new Aged Care guidelines you will be required to have a police check and participate in a Blue Care Volunteer Orientation (1 hour). All paperwork will be supplied.

Natalie is also looking for people who could make some "Care Birds" and "Palm Crosses". These are wooden hand held aids to prayer and meditation. She is also looking for people who could help with the knitting or crocheting Prayer Shawls

Natalie says, "I am always looking for additional pastoral care volunteers to come in to chat with residents whether it's a weekly, fortnightly or monthly time commitment I don't mind. We provide training and resources to assist pastoral care volunteers."

If you are willing to help in any of these ways please speak with Bruce Johnson or contact

Natalie Roy, Chaplain

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