Our Common Life

Blackall Range Uniting Churches

Maleny | Montville | Palmwoods

Uniting in Christ | Acting with love | Living with hope | Witnessing in faith | Working for justice

March 15 2020+

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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.

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Today: Services , Prayers and Readings

Montville	8.15am	Rev Liena Hoffman
Maleny	9.00am	Prayers in prayer room
	9.45am	Rev Liena Hoffman
Palmwoods	10.00am	Pastor Kay Nixon
	1.00pm	Tongan Service

Luke 13:34-35; 19:41-44; 23:26-31

Romans 8:26-30

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Next Sunday: Services, Prayers and Readings

Montville	8.15am	Revs R Potter & G Woodward
Maleny	9.00am	Prayers in prayer room
	9.45am	Rev Bruce Johnson
Palmwoods	10.00am	Pastor Kay Nixon
	1.00pm	Tongan Service

1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Mark 9:2-10

Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41

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The Week Ahead

Open Daily: Reflection Gallery Montville (see over)

Monday March 16th

9.00am BRUC Council Meeting-Montville

Tuesday March 17th

7.00am Prayers at Moyra's 5494 2661
9am-12pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Wednesday March 18th

8.30am Christian Meditation 5435 8152

Thursday March 19th

9am-12pm Church Office open 5429 6995
9.30-11.30am Ladies Friendship

Friday March 20th

1.30pm Know Your Bible (KYB) 5494 2486
9.00am Decision time for CTF

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Blackall Range Uniting Churches acknowledge the Jinibara and Kabi Kabi / Gubbi Gubbi peoples who are the traditional owners of this land.

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LAMENT

"But even now," says the Lord,
"repent sincerely and return to me
With fasting and weeping and mourning.
Let your broken heart show your sorrow;
Tearing your clothes is not enough." (Joel 2:12-12)

Lament. Wail. A constant cry. A complaint. A passionate expression of grief and sorrow. To lament is not common in our modern "Western" culture. Yet, Lament is a common, profound, powerful Biblical voice.

Indeed, there is a Book of Lamentations, many psalms of complaint and countless voices of lament. Personal lament, community lament, private lament and public lament. Voices that call out to God, against God, before God. Voices of sorrow and grief. Sorrow and grief for personal sins, but also for the sins of others, for great injustices wrongs, for tragic loss.

Also, God's own voice of lament, time and time again, for people hard of hearing and hard of heart.

In this time of Lent, when we follow Christ's journey to Jerusalem and Golgotha there is no more passionate, no more challenging lament than Jesus lament overlooking Jerusalem:

"*Jerusalem, Jerusalem!*
You kill the prophets and stone the messengers God has sent you!
How many times have I wanted to put my arms around you your people,
just as a hen gathers her chicks under wings,
but you would not let me!" (Matt 23:37) Shalom Liena

REV. CEC SCHLOSS

Rev. Cec Schloss passed away on 11th March. We remember Cec as a dynamic, respected and much loved minister within the Methodist Church and then also within the Uniting Church. As the Blackall Range Congregations we were privileged, on many occasions during Rev. Catherine's ministry, to have Cec and Faye, Catherine's beloved parents, worshipping with us. We, as a church family, remember how much Catherine loved and relied on Cec's guidance, especially during the early part of her ministry. Please pray for Faye, Catherine and all the family at this time and especially pray that Catherine and Andrew will be able to leave Italy, where they have been skiing, and come home to Australia. *Thank you Lord for Rev. Cec Schloss.*

CHAPLAIN MRS FRANCIS

TODAY Chaplain Becky will speak to us about her ministry at Maleny UC.

BRUC COUNCIL MEETING

The next Blackall Range Council is at **9:00am Monday, March 16, 2020 at Montville UC.**

Any feedback or suggestions from congregation members, please feedback through your Ministry Task Group rep on the Council.

LADIES FRIENDSHIP Thursday,19TH MARCH 9.30AM TO 11.30AM

This is your invitation to visit 51 Bunya St, Linda Fawkes and Lorraine Howe will be your hostesses. Rev Liena will be our speaker. All welcome.

DECISION TIME FOR CTF

Everyone is invited to contribute ideas for consideration about the future of the Christmas Tree Festival and how it might look this year.

A team leader is required. Please be in prayer and attend the meeting **at 9am Friday 20th of March**.

Easter 2020+ Services

Palm Sunday 5 April

8:15 Montville
9:45 Maleny
10:00 Palmwoods
16:30 Family Fellowship Maleny

Maundy Thursday 9 April

18:30 Tenebrae Service Maleny

Good Friday 10 April

07:30 Montville
08:00 Maleny
09:00 Palmwoods

Easter Sunday 12 April

06:00 RCLN Sunrise Service Montville
07:30 Montville
09:45 Maleny
09:00 Palmwoods

REFLECTION GALLERY

The gallery in the Montville Church continues its pre-Christmas display entitled The Child until the end of this month when Rev. Geraldine Wheeler will return with her collection of paintings depicting women of the Bible. **Open 10 to 3.00 each day**.

PRAYER & MEDITATION

'SOIL & SOUL' – (Palmwoods Community Garden) on Friday mornings at 7.45 – 8.15 am. All welcome.

Guided Gardening at 7.00 am each Saturday morning (weather permitting). Will be 8.00 am when the weather cools down.

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

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Notice Sheet: Contributions requested before 10am Wed: admin@ourcommonlife.org.au

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