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

November 1 2020+

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Our Common Life is our weekly Notices
Please stay connected with us.

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Services: Service, Prayers and Readings

Montville: 4:30 pm Faith Conversations
Maleny: 9:45 am Holy Communion
Palmwoods: 10:00 am Worship Service
No morning service at Montville

Prayer meeting at Maleny at 9:00am at the church

Catch up on our E-Services under E-Broadcasts on the BRUC Web-page: www.ourcommonlife.org.au

This Sunday 1st November
Prayers and Readings
RCL: Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7,33-37;
1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12
Outreach: Isaiah 56 vs 1-8, John 10 vs 14-18

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Next Sunday 8th November
Prayers and Readings
RCL: Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25; Psalm 78:1-7;
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

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The Week Ahead

Tuesday November 3rd
9am-12pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Wednesday Meditation at 8:30 am is now running subject to the public safety regulations.

Wednesday Cuppa Conversation Join us for our Cuppa Conversation on www.ourcommonlife.org.au under Cuppa Conversations

Thursday November 5th
9am-12pm Church Office open 5429 6995

Friday November 6th
1.30pm Know Your Bible (KYB) 5494 2486

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Called to be Saints

1 Corinthians 1:1-9,

While much of the liturgy and the sermon went over the little girl's head, she was fascinated by the pictures of saints adorning the stained-glass windows. When asked later what a saint was, she said, "Saints are people that the light shines through." Is there a better answer than that! Saints are people that the light of Christ shines through. Or as W.E. Sangster in his book, *The Pure in Heart,* said, after a detailed examination of the lives of many Christian saints: saints are people in whom the Spirit of God resides. He wrote, "While every saint is unique, there is something they all have in common": they show the fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Literally saints are holy people, but only God is truly holy. Holiness comes through association with God. Those who are united with Christ through faith can be regarded as holy, not by their own efforts but by the Spirit of Christ within them. Self-achieved holiness gives holy a bad name.

As with Christians of New Testament times, we are all called to be saints. Through our faith relationship with Christ, we are saints and also saints-in-the-making. Some might appear to be further along in the process than others and they, whether endorsed by the institutional church or simply significant to our own personal Christian journey, inspire and encourage us as role-models or heroes of the faith.

While on this All Saints Day we give thanks for saints that have inspired and encouraged us in our faith, lets also respond, in humility, to Christ's call to live as the saints he calls us to be.

- How important are good role-models for young people growing up?
- Who has been to you a role-model or hero in the Christian faith?
- What do you think of this: "Self-achieved holiness gives holy a bad name"?
- If only God is holy, how come we talk about the Bible or the Church being holy?

Rev Ron Potter ***Piula Publications***

NOVEMBER OUTREACH PROGRAM

November we are celebrating our outreach ministries and exploring possible new way of getting involved in local, regional, national and international communities.

Please make sure you pick up a flyer of the program. And please join in!! If you cannot attend the services make sure to tune in to the recordings! Give your stories, your visions. This is a conversation.

Also, make sure to invite a friend or share the news, the messages and information.

It will also be an opportunity to give to the different outreach programmes. This week it is *Uniting World.*

SPECIAL PRAYERS: There are a number of persons in our communities that are grieving and recovering from serious health issues. Let us hold them before the Lord.

FAITH CONVERSATION - TODAY

You are invited to share in our monthly Faith Conversation today at the **Montville Uniting Church at 4.30 pm**. The topic Racism will be led by Rev. Liena.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS DONATIONS

A donation box has been setup in the Church Foyer. Donations are needed this year for Christmas lights to decorate the outside of the Church. Please donate if you can.

VOLUNTEER WANTED

In preparation for Advent, a volunteer is needed for garden duty to severely trim back (to 6 feet) the camellia trees in the front of the Church.

Please Let **Nancy or Jan** know if you can help.

LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP CELEBRATION.

Lets say goodbye to this year by enjoying each other's company in a Relaxing Morning Tea.

Place: The Orangery, Cairncross Corner, Maleny.

Date: **Thursday, 19th November, 2020**.

Time: **9.30 – 11.30am**

Cost: $15.00 per person. (this will include savoury and sweet).

Please reply to **Dorothy** via list at church or Patricia Phone: 54296196, E-mail: pstickley@bigpond.com

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OFFERINGS Kindly remember to continue to give make your weekly/monthly offerings. They can be Direct Debited through the ANZ Bank, BSB 014-507 A/c 3762 29735.

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