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 22 2020+

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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

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Hope to which we have been called

*"I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you **may know the hope to which he has called you**, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, [19] and his incomparably great power for us who believe".*
(Ephesians 1 vs 18-1)

Prayer of Hope by Jane Holloway

Lord, Holy Lord, Holy Trinity
Fill us with strength and boldness
according to your promises,
That we might reach our needy nation,
with your love, in this season of Hope.
We humbly acknowledge our weakness and failure,
But our eyes are fixed on you.
Fulfil your purposes and plans
that your name may be honoured in our land.
In the name of Jesus Christ, Amen

Working Bees at Montville –persons from wider BRUC welcome. Come and enjoy to work alongside and get to know one another better:

Monday, 23rd November, at 9.30 am you are invited to take part in a Working Bee to set up the Advent display in the church incorporating six long banners that were designed by Elsie Hall. In addition, there will be several decorated Christmas trees; one a prayer tree to which people are invited to attach written prayers and three that present aspects of the Christmas message.

Monday, 7 December at **7.30 am on** there will be a Working Bee to work on levelling a grassed pathway around to the back of the church grounds.

Tuesday 24 November 5:00-6:30pm Disaster preparedness seminar to be held at Maleny Community Centre run by SCC but supported by Maleny Forums. Booking essential due to COVID.

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.

NEW VINE - the next edition is due very soon and will focus on **HOPE**. My HOPE 4U is that some of you will feel inspired to write something, talking about where/how your life has been touched by hope - it can cover any situation where hope was, is or will be important for you and yours. If it could reach me at **grandar@bipond.net.au** by **Thursday 26 November,** that would be great. Many thanks in advance. Graham Dempster

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.

Wesley Mission Queensland Red Bag Appeal

It's estimated that over 700,000 people in Queensland are experiencing poverty. With your gift of a Red Bag full of groceries, decorations and toys you will bring hope to those who are doing it tough this Christmas.

For more information about the appeal or to find a drop off location, visit the website. https://www.redbagappeal.org.au

COVID SAFE CHURCH
We're seeing a positive turnaround in covid-19 cases across Australia. As at the time of writing, Australia had two days of no transmissions across the country. BUT, as borders re-open and with Christmas looming, we need to be extra mindful of the risks.
We all have a part to play in preventing an outbreak in QLD through –

- Maintaining physical distancing of **1.5 meters**
- Maintaining good **hand hygiene** (washing or sanitising hands regularly)
- Maintaining **respiratory hygiene** (coughing or sneezing into elbow)
- Maintaining **contact tracing** and rapid response (keeping contact details for 56 day for each worship service/activity conducted by the Church)
- Frequently **cleaning/disinfecting** the spaces we use
- If unwell, stay at home.
- Recommended to **wear a mask** at times and places of people mingling, eg. Before/after a service..

If you are having problems or want further clarification, phone **Peter Callaghan M: 0458 263 322**.

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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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