



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

14 March 2021

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Prayers

9:00am at Maleny

Services

Montville 8:15 Holy Communion

Maleny 9:45 Worship Service

Palmwoods 15:30am Reflection in the garden

RCL Year B Readings

2nd Sunday in Lent

4th Sunday in Lent

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3,17-22;

Ephesians 2:1-10;

John 3:14-21

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

Lent (17th Feb – 4 April)

Lent is a tradition of contemplation, of reflecting on the *via dolorosa* - the Way of Passion/Suffering. In terms of the Sermon on the Mount it is a time of giving, prayer, and fasting. It is a time of sacrifice, self-denial and spiritual growth.

Please share something you have learnt this Lent.

Thank you Liena

Next Sunday 21 March 2021:

Montville 8:15: Worship Service

Maleny: 9:45 am Worship Service

Palmwoods: 10:00 Holy Communion

RCL Year B Readings

5th Sunday in Lent

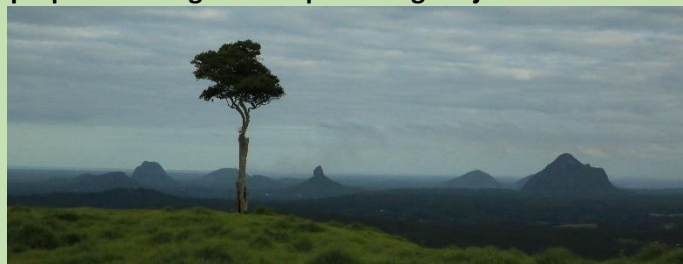
Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalm 51:1-12 or 119:9-16;

Hebrews 5:5-10; John 12:20-33

Love

Most important of all, love each other deeply, because love makes you willing to forgive many sins.

1 Peter 4:8



LECTIONARY THEMES

By Grace Through Faith

Ephesians 2:1-10

The poor peasant who does not know that he has been left a million dollars in an inheritance still lives as a poor peasant. He thinks like a poor peasant, he acts like a poor peasant, he dreams of an impossible future like a poor peasant. And so live the majority of the human race – living in poverty when, in fact, they are unimaginably wealthy if only they knew it.

Something happened in that strip of land along the eastern edge of the Mediterranean Sea around two thousand years ago that broke open a wondrous fact: the full, true and complete life that people yearn for is available to all who accept it. We miss out because our relationship with God is as good as dead, killed by our own self-centred and rebellious attitude, but God acted in Jesus Christ to give us this true life – an act of sheer grace and love, unearned and freely given.

Accept it! That's the invitation. Accept it, not as a proven theorem or scientific discovery, but as an act of faith. Then live it. It is by living our faith that we prove it. Only as we entrust ourselves to the God who acted so graciously in Jesus Christ do we discover the true reality.

We have a share in the immeasurable riches of God's grace. Why live in poverty of spirit? Why be driven by self-centred instincts and desires when there is another, greater centre by which to live. Why trudge our way through pseudo-life when our life could be ringing with the joy of true life?

- You might like to change the image of the poor peasant who is unaware of his wealth for the seriously ill person who doesn't know that a cure is available. How do these images reflect the plight of the human race?

- There is a deadness about people who live away from God, but they can come alive. How?
- Since we are saved by God's grace, how is that grace received and made our own?
- How have you experienced the immeasurable riches of God's grace?

• **Rev Ron Potter** **Piula Publications**

The Week Ahead at a Glance

Tuesday & Thursday – Church Office open Ph. 5429 6995 9am-12pm,

Tuesday – Cuppa Craft at Maleny 9:30-12 noon

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

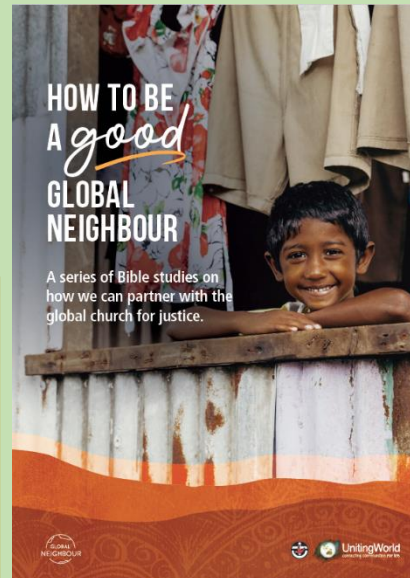
Wednesday – Cuppa Conversation Season 2 will be back soon.

Thursday 9:30-11:30 Ladies Friendship at Maleny

Friday – Know Your Bible (KYB) 5494 2486 1.30pm

Saturday – Presbytery meeting in Kingaroy

LENT Bible Study



The Uniting World's Lent 2021 Bible Study Booklets have arrived. Please collect a copy after the service on Sunday or contact the church office (Peter or Liena) to get a copy (a

donation of \$5 if you are able)

Visit [UnitingWorld's Lent Event](#) to find out more.

Events this week:

Ladies are invited to share the JOY OF A CUPPA on **Thursday 18th March from 9.30 to 11.30am**. Linda, Lorraine and Liena will set up the 3 L's TEA ROOM and ask you to bring your prettiest teacup and saucer, and a joke to share. Also bring a friend if you can.



The jug is on the boil! Cuppa Craft

Tuesday 16 March

The cups were drunk dry and fun was had. So we are definitely doing it again. Make sure you join us.

We will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. So see you in the 16th March

between 9:30-12 and pop in for a cuppa and a chat or bring a craft along and have a pot. See ya!!!



Synod News

Online worship services

Here is a list of Queensland Uniting Church congregations who are [live streaming](#).

OFFERING

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.

Pray

God of all wisdom, help us today to take the time and make the space for your voice to be heard amidst the noise of the world around us.

Amen.

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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Minister: Rev Liena Hoffman 0490 421 874
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DATE CLAIMER. 9.30am Saturday 24 th April. Maleny Uniting Ladies are hosting an **Ecumenical Morning Tea.** The focus will be on MOTHERS and decorations will feature roses.

[Please like and followo our FB page: Blackall Range Uniting Church - Facebook](#)



Easter 2021 Services

"For God so loved the world, ..."

Palm Sunday 28 March

8:15 Montville
9:45 Maleny Family Worship
15:30 Reflection in the garden

Maundy Thursday 1 April

18:00 Tenebrae Service @ Maleny

Good Friday 2 April

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

Easter Sunday

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

Accommodation Urgently Sought

A family associated with the congregation (a father and two teenage daughters) is **URGENTLY** looking for accommodation at an affordable rent: minimum 2br, preferably 3 br home within commuting distance of Maleny as both girls attend Maleny State School and have other commitments in Maleny.

Please contact Jonathan on 0499367714 or Liena 0490421874

Use of the Church Halls during week:

Maleny:

Pilates:

Monday 9:15-10:15 am; 5:45-6:45pm
Tuesday 8:00-9:00 am
Friday 9:15-10:15 am

Meditation Group:

Wednesday Start 8:30 am

Dancing Group:

Thursday 9:30-10:30 am

Montville: Reflection Gallery – Every Day

Palmwoods: Please contact Kay.

We are looking for persons to join the team organising the following:

PALM SUNDAY 28 MARCH: FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE

This will be an intergenerational service so looking for families and additional musicians to participate in the service.

Please contact Liena

TENEBRAE THURSDAY 1 APRIL. We are looking for singers to sing a few songs and help lead the singing.

Please contact Val Clarkson.



Working Bee at Maleny

Volunteers are invited to take part in the **WORKING BEE** at Maleny from **8.00am on Saturday 20th March.** Please check the proposed tasks on

EASTER MADNESS



Where
to



OUR THEME - "THE STAGE"

Easter is an incredible and memorable celebration for Christians worldwide. What happens though when the party is over? What does Easter look like after Easter Sunday and all the chocolate and hot cross buns are eaten? Easter Madness will explore what life after Easter is like through the various 'STAGES' of faith and life people journey through. We will see how Jesus journeys with us no matter what stage we are at.



DETAILS



WHEN: FRIDAY 6 APRIL TO MONDAY 12 APRIL

WHO: HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 7 - 12

COST: \$250

(INC ACCOMMODATION, FOOD & ACTIVITIES)

WHERE: 239 LOVEDAY RD, GEHAM QLD

(30MIN NORTH OF TOOWOOMBA)



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WHAT IS IT?

It is a one of a kind opportunity to meet new friends from all across BrisVegas and even the state! Spend time in an awesome community getting to know one another and getting to know Jesus. Whether you already have a relationship with Jesus or you're new to building a relationship with Jesus, Easter Madness is for you.

With interactive style worship, incredible worship music, community building, activities that make you think grove and move, Easter Madness is the perfect way to spend the weekend during the Easter school holidays.