

# 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

27 June 2021

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP



### **Prayers**

### 9:00am at Maleny

#### Services

Montville 8:15am: Worship Service Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service Palmwoods: 15:00pm Garden Reflections

### **RCL Year B Readings**

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

Catch up on our E-Services under E-Broadcasts on the BRUC Web-page: <a href="https://www.ourcommonlife.org.au">www.ourcommonlife.org.au</a>

### **Next Sunday 4 July 2021**

Montville 8:15am: Worship Service Maleny: 9:45am: Holy Communion Palmwoods: 10:00am Worship Service

#### **RCL Year B Readings**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous.

Teach me to serve you as you deserve,

To give and not to count the cost,

To fight and not to heed the wounds,

To toil and not to seek for rest,

To labor and not to seek reward,

Except that of knowing that I do your will.

Amen.

ST. IGNATIUS'S PRAYER FOR GENEROSITY www.ignatianspirituality.com

### \*\*\*LECTIONARY THEMES\*\*\*

### **Fear Not**

Mark 5:21-43, 1 John 4:16-21

Fear is natural; part of God's good creation. It warns us of danger, prompting us to take evasive or defensive action. But, like fire, it is a good servant, but a bad master. When it gains mastery over us, it can destroy us. It can prevent us from knowing the gracious love of God.

It can make us to be obsessed with money, possessions and standing, with the hope that they can give us the security we lack. It can turn strangers into enemies resulting in suspicion, hatred and war. It can blind us to the plight of others so that we do nothing to help them. It can keep us tongue-tied in our witness for Christ lest it alienate us from our friends or family.

What then is the answer to this destructive power of fear? Faith and love. Faith in Jesus, the Son of God who loves us with a generous and abundant love. Jesus said to Jairus, the synagogue leader who was afraid that he was about to lose his beloved daughter, "Do not fear, only believe." Trust or faith is the answer to the tyranny of fear. Trust in the goodness and love of God. Faith and love. "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

(1 John 4:18) Love take us out of our preoccupation with ourselves and our fears so that we are concerned about the wellbeing of others, even those that might be seen to pose a threat to us. As God's Spirit moves us to trust God and to love in God's way of loving, we find the chains of tyrannical fear being loosened. Reverence that in the Bible is called fear of the Lord, a healthy fear, then has room to grow.

- Give examples of fears that are good and helpful.
- Give examples of fears that are damaging and hurtful.
- How is fear used by commercial, political or religious leaders?
- What is your experience of faith and love overcoming fear?

Rev Ron Potter

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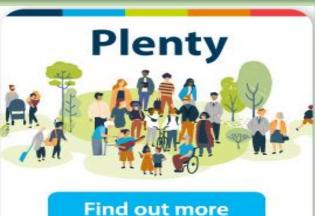
DATE CLAIMER: SUNDAY 15 August 15<sup>th</sup> August at 1:30-2:30pm Child Protection Training - all leaders (Council and those who participate in Fun Days, Sunday School/KidsBiz etc are required to complete this training every 2 years. Please make every effort to attend)

### **Principles for Child Safe organisations**

Children and young people are to be informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and to be taken seriously. The Uniting Church acknowledges children's rights and wants to ensure children know that they have a right to be and feel safe, and what to do about it if they don't. We exercise shared guardianship because we want the church to be a safe place for everyone. We know this means providing information in a way that is easily understood and accessible, taking into account the persons age, culture and the context of our contact with them.

For more information about Safe Ministry with Children <u>training and resources</u>, contact <u>Lynde Davy</u>

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Find out more

Link: https://ucaqld.com.au/projects/projectplenty/

### REFLECTION GALLERY

The artist whose paintings are currently on display in the Montville Uniting Church is Wendy Jarrott-Smith of the Maleny Baptist Congregation. Her bright, abstract acrylics, together with the words she has written to accompany them are arousing much interest. The Gallery is open each day 10am till 3pm.

### Tuckshop @ Maleny State (Primary) School.

Guna (the Tuckshop Convener) is desperate for extra help in the tuckshop.

It's a really fun morning for about **3 hours from 8:30-11:30 on a Tuesday, Thursday and** Friday. If you have any time spare and would like to **volunteer once a fortnight or monthly or WHATEVER suits you**, could you please contact Desley in the office (07 54998333) and she will put you in touch with Guna.

### Blue Cards: Volunteer to paid work

Existing volunteer blue card holders can start paid work in your organisation as soon as you have linked them to your organisation. You can link a blue card holder by using the <u>Blue card Services Organisation Portal or a paper form</u>. Volunteer card holders do not need to receive their new paid blue card to start paid work as long as the organisation has validated their volunteer blue card and linked them to the organisation. Volunteer blue card holders must complete the volunteer to paid employment transfer application and pay the fee.

Blue Card Services are no longer sending letters to notify organisations of blue card approvals

From 25 June 2021, Blue Card Services will send approval notifications electronically by either:

- the Organisation Portal or
- email (if your organisation is not yet using the portal).

This change only applies when a blue card is issued or renewed.

Blue Card Services will continue to send other notifications by post, including when a negative notice is issued (i.e. a blue card is denied) or a card is suspended or cancelled.

If you're not using the portal, Blue Card Services will send a spreadsheet by email whenever a blue card has been approved or renewed. This spreadsheet will contain a complete list of the blue cards issued for applicants linked to your organisation.

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#### OFFERING

Kindly remember to continue to give your weekly/monthly offerings. They can be Direct Debited through the ANZ Bank,

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