



# 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

**19 September 2021**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**



**Prayers**

**9:00am at Maleny**

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

**RCL Year B Readings**

**Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1**  
**James 3:13-4:3,7-8a; Mark 9:30-37**

Catch up on our E-Broadcasts on the BRUC Web-page:  
[www.ourcommonlife.org.au](http://www.ourcommonlife.org.au)

**Next Sunday 26 September 2021**

**Montville 8:15am: Worship Service ?**  
**Maleny: 9:45am: Combined Harvest Festival**  
**Palmwoods: 15:30pm Garden Reflections**

**RCL Year B Readings**

**Esther 7:1-6,9-10;9:20-22; Psalm 124**  
**James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50**

**Psalm 1 vs 1-3**

Blessed is the one  
 who does not walk in step with the wicked  
 or stand in the way that sinners take  
 or sit in the company of mockers,  
<sup>2</sup> but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
 and who meditates on his law day and night.  
<sup>3</sup> That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
 which yields its fruit in season  
 and whose leaf does not wither—  
 whatever they do prospers.

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

**IN MY NAME**

**James 3:13–4:3,7-8a Mark 9:30-37**

When a person acts in the name of another it means acting on behalf of that person and with that person's authorisation, or it could refer to representing a company, a government or an organisation. It involves keeping true to the intention of the one that is represented.

When Jesus talks about praying or doing things in his name he is talking about acting in a way that is consistent with his teaching and his way of life. Just as Jesus spoke and acted in the name of God, he invites his followers to speak and act in his name.

When we pray in Jesus' name we are saying that this prayer echoes the mind and spirit of Jesus or we ask that God answers that prayer in so far as it reflects the teaching and attitude of Jesus.

One day Jesus put his arm around a small child amid the gathering of his disciples and said, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me." In the society in which Jesus lived, the child was regarded as lowly in status and standing. He seems then to be speaking about welcoming the least and the lowly. As he reached out to the outcasts of his society so his followers are to reach out and welcome those whom society despises.

As James indicates, God-inspired wisdom is very different from worldly wisdom. Jesus as Messiah is very different from what people generally think of in a Messiah. To accept Jesus as one's own Saviour and Lord is to seek always to represent him and his way of life in the world. Then, one thing that this will mean is welcoming the least and the lowly. It means having an open and welcoming attitude toward outcasts in our society, especially welcoming them into the life of the Church.

- When have you acted in the name of another whether that other was a person, group, family, organization, club, company or government?
- If a newspaper were to draw up a list of the leading people in Australia today what factors would be considered most relevant?
- What characterizes those who are leading people in God's eyes?
- What makes a congregation a welcoming church?

**Rev Ron Potter**

**Piula Publications**



## Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> September will be our annual Spring Harvest Festival

So book the date. Finish those products – beanies, blankets, toys, preserves. Gather those plants, veges and whatever harvest you may have.

If possible, drop items off at church around 4pm on Saturday, or before, or early on Sunday morning.

**Please mark clearly if products only for display.**

**DONATIONS** for local chaplaincy.

It will be a day of celebration and praise!

**Be sure to join us!**

### FAREWELL TO RICHARD HACKETT-JONES Fri 1 Oct 10-11

On **Friday, 1 October** there is to be a gathering to remember Richard who died in Melbourne some weeks ago. COVID prevented the send off Richard had imagined so, to honour his life and his passing, there will be a BYO picnic at **Mary Cairncross picnic area**, for those who wish, **between 10 and 11 am**. Bring a plate and something to drink and we'll swap stories and other memories over morning tea.

### THIS COMING WEEK:

Tuesday 21 Sep 9:30-12 noon Cuppa Craft at Maleny  
Tuesday 21 Sep 11:10-12 Holy Communion at Erowal  
Wednesday 8 Sep 8:30-9:30 am Meditation at Maleny  
Monday – Sunday 9 am – 3 pm Reflection Gallery at Montville

### COMING UP– Details below

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September**, Harvest Festival at Maleny at 9:45am

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**: A group for Wycliffes will be joining Maleny HC and have invited the congregation to join them for lunch at Bob Grice's farm after the service to learn more about their work. Please contact office for more information.

**Sunday 31 October**, Combined Family Service at Maleny, followed by chats over BBQ.

### OFFERING

**Kindly remember to continue to give your weekly/monthly offerings.** They can be Direct Debited to Blackall Range Uniting Church, ANZ Bank, BSB 014-507 A/c 3762 29735

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## Fund Raising Ideas

Please share photos of any fundraising events you have had or any ideas for raising funds you may have.

### Containers for cash

The containers for cash fund raiser has kicked off. Thanks to all who are already dropping their cans and bottles. To help you here is what can be cashed and what cannot

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### Plate200 and/or Cuppa100

These are fun fundraising activities! Invite 10 persons to dinner and have them contribute \$20 to the dinner this will raise \$200. And make sure to invite a couple you do not know well or want to

introduce to others!. And if like me, you cannot cook, but can bring ice-cream and strawberries for desert, buddy up with someone who can cook!

them to contribute \$10 for the bottomless cuppa and scones and raise \$100!!

