



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

24 October 2021

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

****LECTIONARY THEMES****



Prayers

9:00am at Maleny

Montville 8:15am: Worship Service
Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service
Palmwoods: 15:30 pm Garden Reflections

RCL Year B Readings

Job 42:1-6,10-17; Psalm 34:1-8,(19-22)
Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

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

Next Sunday 31 October 2021

COMBINED INTERACTIVE: Family Worship Service

RCL Year B Readings

Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146
Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34

prayer

Lord Jesus,
 You have called us to follow you into a
 ministry of reconciling people to God and to
 one another, to be peacemakers in our world.
 Paul reminds us: "Do everything possible on
 your part to live in peace with everybody."
 (Romans 12:18 GNT)

Healing Faith

Mark 10:46-52

We all know that faith is a powerful force. Faith in one's own ability contributes toward success in any field of endeavour. If passengers have faith in their driver they will be relaxed, but if they do not have faith in the driver they will either refuse to travel with him or her or will be anxious and fearful throughout the trip. The effect of a placebo taken instead of some prescribed medicine also reminds us of the powerful effect that faith has.

Faith healers can be found all around the world relying on this power of faith to heal the sick without recourse to medical science. Even with mainline medicine the patient's faith in the doctor contributes to the effectiveness of the treatment.

So, when Jesus said to Bartimaeus, "Go; your faith has made you well", was he simply affirming the power of human faith? Was Jesus just another faith healer? The blind man's faith certainly came into it, but it was whom he was placing his faith in that made the difference. In crying out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" it is clear that Bartimaeus put his faith in Jesus as the God-sent messianic healer of the world's troubles.

It was not just his faith that healed him: it was the one in whom he placed his faith. When he regained his sight, he followed Jesus on the way and, it could be, that the man's name was given special mention by Mark in his gospel because he was known to people in the early Church as one who belonged to them.

The story in Mark 10 can become a call to us to place our faith in God for the healing of our own blindness – our blindness to God's presence and power in the world, our blindness to the needs of others, our blindness to the saving grace of God. By faith in God made known by Jesus we are enabled to see without the usual distortions of our materialistic and ego-centric society. Like Bartimaeus, we then follow Jesus on the way.

- ❖ Who are some of the people that you place your faith in in everyday life?
- ❖ If Jesus said to you, as he said to Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?" what would you say?
- ❖ Faith in God makes us see the world differently. How differently?
- ❖ How can we follow Jesus on the way?

❖ **Rev Ron Potter** **Piula Publications**

Pastoral Care Meeting

Just a reminder that the next pastoral care meeting will be on Thursday 28th October at 4pm. Also book in Thursday 25th November for the following meeting. Hope to see you all next week. **Dorothy**

Ecumenical Morning Tea will be held on Saturday 30th October at the Anglican Church at 9:30 am.

The guest speakers are team of young people from NETS(National Evangelistic Team) based in Caloundra.

Please RSVP to list or phone **Ruth Blackburn 0447004950**

THIS WEEK

Wednesday 8:30 – 9:30 am Meditation at Maleny

COMING UP for November– Details below

Friday 5th 2-6pm & Saturday 6th 7am -2pm - Garage Sale

12 -14 (Friday – Sunday) November – Live in Presbytery, Hervey Bay.

Sunday 14th – Baptism William Heading

Thursday 18 November Ladies Friendship Group at Val's place.

Friday 19th November – Sausage Sizzle

Sunday 28 November - Advent First Sunday

28 November – 18 December – Lights get put up progressively

Montville Uniting Church - NEW DISPLAY. The new display which will be in place through to the end of November is by Barbara Willcocks. As a member of the art group, Blackall Range Visual, Barbara enjoys the help and encouragement they give to a relatively new artist like her who started painting in 2008. The paintings in the gallery reflect what Barbara has seen during her travels both overseas and in Australia. In that way they stand as a reminder of the world-wide scope of God's love. A sense of joy in the presence of God's creation. See

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063771271448> or look up www.blackallrangevisualartists.com

Chappy Charity Horse Riding Day Saturday 30th October

The Maleny High School Chaplaincy Committee is running a horse trail riding and bushwalking day on **Saturday 30th October, from 9.00am to 5.00pm at 6 Bretons Rd, Crohamhurst.** Even if you are not participating as a horse rider, your help would be appreciated as a parking attendant, on main gate duty, barbecue, snacks stall and pack up. Two hour time slots are suggested. Contact Chris Bourne on 0428176557.

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.

MALENY GARAGE SALE ON FRIDAY 5TH 2-6pm and SATURDAY 6TH 7am-2pm NOVEMBER



With two weeks to the Garage Sale, we ask you to start collecting your pre-loved items and plan for getting them to the church. Small items can be left at the office on Tuesday and Thursday morning. If you have larger items and need to have them picked up, please



contact Liena 0490421874. Thanks to the large team who have offered to help. Please contact Liena for any more details. Lookout for special circular about garage sale.

BRIGHT AND BREEZY

It is time to sort ourselves out. On the tables at the back of the hall, today and next Sunday, there are sheets naming the **eleven** activities that have been offered for our activities in November. Please peruse them and write your name and contact details in the space provided. You can attend as many or as few as you wish. Once all names have been collected, the hosts will decide if numbers are sufficient for the activity to proceed and be in contact to arrange times and places as necessary.

CHAPLAINCY

Today we welcome Chappy Becky at our morning service. Chaplaincy is a ministry we have long supported.

Sausage Sizzles: A BIG THANK YOU also for the persons who helped and supported our first sausage sizzle to support chaplaincy. We raised \$180!!!

If you want to join in the fun – please write your name down for **Friday the 19th November** Thank you.

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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 and we have raised more than \$30, or recycled more than 300 containers!. Thanks to all who are already dropping their cans and bottles.

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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!!



Garage sale

Looking for helpers for garage sale!
Please contact Jing