



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

7 November 2021

WELCOME TO WORSHIP



Prayers

9:00am at Maleny

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

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 14 November 2021

Montville 8:15am: Holy Communion
Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service
Palmwoods: 15:30 pm Garden Reflections
RCL Year B Readings

1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10
Hebrews 10:11-14(15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

**Come join us for
the baptism of
young William
George Heading on
Sunday the 14th Nov**



*****LECTIONARY THEMES*****

Temple

Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25, Mark 13:1-8

In the centuries before Solomon became king, the people of Israel had a special tent they regarded as God's dwelling place among them. This tabernacle then gave way to the temple building in Jerusalem. Heaven was God's special realm; all creation was, in a sense, God's temple; but the nation looked to the temple in Jerusalem as God's home on earth. Its existence gave them a sense of security – God was with them.

They took great pride in the building. By the time Jesus lived, this was the third temple to stand on the site. It had been constructed under the initiative of king Herod and stood as the most conspicuous building in the city. It stood as a symbol of the whole religious life of the people.

While synagogues provided meeting places in towns and villages all over the country, places where prayers were offered, psalms were sung and Scriptures were read and expounded, the temple in Jerusalem was the only place where sacrifices were offered. The temple was the place where God was present in a very special way. In forecasting the coming destruction of the temple which took place about forty years later, Jesus was saying something about the end of an era.

The Jerusalem temple was now no longer the special place where God touched the earth, Jesus was. Jesus the Christ replaced the temple as the special place of God's presence. We express the same thing by saying that Jesus was the Son of God, the Word made flesh, the image of the invisible God. God's home on earth now is no longer a physical location. It is a person.

The way to God is now no longer via the Jerusalem temple; it is through the one who said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." Jesus is the temple and the great high priest who brings God to the people and the people to God. Then the Church could also be called God's temple as could the body of the individual believer within whom the Spirit of Christ dwelt. (1 Corinthians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 6:19)

- ❖ Do you have drawings or plans of the Jerusalem temple at the time of Jesus? Maybe in your Bible? Look at them and discuss.
- ❖ If God is everywhere, why do we need special places for God to be present?
- ❖ What does it say about the Church to call it God's temple?
- ❖ What does it say about you to say that you are the temple for Christ's Spirit?

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

THIS WEEK

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

**COMING UP for November– Details below
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

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.

WORKING BEE AT MALENY CHURCH

SATURDAY 20 November

In getting ready for Christmas and all the celebrations that go with that special time of year, we are having a working bee to help clean up the grounds around our Maleny church on **Saturday 20 November**, time 7am to 12pm.. Please bring along any tools etc that you think would be useful. And come as long as your able.



MEN'S GROUP BBQ

Same format, but **different location**. The next BBQ is on **Thursday 18th November**. It will be a bright and breezy occasion at Ewen Maddock Dam. Bring your own food and drink. Meet at the Church 11.30 a.m. for car sharing. Good swimming (sandy beach) and bush walks for the more energetic. All men are welcome, so feel free to invite your friends and neighbours.



Montville: Below are some date of things that are happening at Montville leading up to Christmas :

- ✚ 25 November Morning Tea and Carol singing with Range Care.
- ✚ 3 December Put Christmas display in church and grounds
- ✚ At a date to be organised assist with Christmas RE at Montville School.
- ✚ 25 December 7.30am Christmas Service.



As a community of faith, in cooperation with SpeakUP NOW we are installing RED BENCHES at each of our worship centres. Our RED BENCH at Maleny will be officially installed on **Sunday the 28th November 2021 at 11:00am**, straight after the morning service. For more information see:

<https://www.redrosefoundation.com.au/index.php/redbench/>

Christmas Eve Service Singers needed

The Christmas Eve service is to be held at 7.00pm on Friday December 24th. The program will include songs by a small group or mini-choir. Prepare to be approached personally, but if you are available, can sing in tune and are interested, your help would be appreciated. See Paul or Liena. Most of the songs are well known.

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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