



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

13 February 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

"But for you who fear my name, the Sun of Righteousness will rise with healing in his wings.



And you will go free,

leaping with joy like calves let out to pasture.

Malachi 4:2

Face to Face Worship Service

9:00 Prayers at home

Montville 8:15am: Eucharist

Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service

Palmwoods: 3:30pm Reflections in the Garden

RCL Year C Readings

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1;

1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26

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

Next Sunday 20 February 2022

Montville 8:15am: Worship Service

Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service

Palmwoods: 3:30pm Eucharist and Baptism

RCL Year C Readings

Genesis 45:3-15; Psalm 37;

1 Corinthians 15:35-50; Luke 6:27-38

"I am the Root and
the Offspring of David,
And the bright Morning Star

Revelation 22 vs 16

Prayer

(attributed to of Sir Francis Drake)

Disturb us, Lord,

When we are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true

Because we have
dreamed too little,

When we arrived safely Because we sailed too
close to the shore.

Disturb us, Lord,

when with the abundance of things we possess

We have lost our thirst For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,

We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,

We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.

Disturb us, Lord,

to dare more boldly,

To venture on wider seas

Where storms will show your mastery;

Where losing sight of land,

We shall find the stars.

We ask You to push back

The horizons of our hopes;

And to push into the future

In strength, courage, hope, and love. AMEN

Blackall Range Uniting Church acknowledges the first peoples who are the traditional owners of the land upon which we live and worship.

COVID-CARE AND SAFETY

As we are learning to live with COVID, some church activities are resuming whilst others are still in abeyance. There is no wrong decision. I recall our "C" at the beginning of COVID, two years ago: There were 9 at one stage and they still all apply:

Calm – be calm.

Cautious – be cautious.

Common sense – use your common sense.

Care – take care of yourselves and others.

Commit – commit the COVID-19 pandemic to prayer.

Candle – Light the COVID-19 prayer-candle at 7pm (19:00) in your window every night as a symbol of hope.

Connect – remember to connect with one another.

Communicate – talk to someone.

Cuppa Conversations - follow our Cuppa Conversations on-line, or have one of your own

My personal buzz word at the moment is a 10th "C" – **Comfortable**. To attend or not to attend an activity – be it worship, a small group or committee meeting: Do what you feel comfortable with.

In this Our Common Life you will read of the resumption of some activities – be assured there is no judgment on those who do not attend, neither on those who do. 😊

Resumption of face-to-face Worship Services 6th February at ALL worship centres.

We will be resuming face-to-face worship services at all our centres in February. However, we emphasise that:

- It be made clear to members that attendance is voluntary and there is no expectation on persons to attend. Everyone should feel comfortable in attending or staying away. The purpose in resuming is to offer persons an option.
- The duty roster is not being followed at the moment so that persons do not feel obligated to attend (hopefully we will be back to 'normal' by the end of February). If you are willing to help on a Sunday please contact Liena directly.
- The service will be recorded so there will be something available on-line.

Montville UC: Reflection Gallery's will display the late Rev Ron Potter's equally memorable paintings to the gallery, mostly of children.

The display will hang on the walls of the church until early March when other paintings of Ron's will hang in the Gallery over Easter, so we have much to look forward to.



Ladies Friendship 17th February

The Ladies Friendship group will be resuming on Thursday the 17th February in the Maleny Church hall at 9:30am All welcome.

Please bring your contribution of a tried and true recipe which you were given by a friend. Sharing that story will be a great way to start the year as will your offer to organise one of the monthly programmes for the year.

If you find yourself unable to attend send your recipe - it will be appreciated!!

Meditation Group

It could be starting this week..... Watch your e-mails.

Domestic and Family Violence Awareness workshop

Queensland Churches Together is hosting a series of Zoom workshops on Domestic and Family Violence Awareness will take place on three consecutive Wednesday evenings on 2, 9 and 16 March from 7pm. [Book now](#).

There will be a charge of \$45 per person for the workshop series. The charge allows Queensland Churches Together to continue providing and developing Domestic Family Violence resources and training to be used in churches and by pastoral carers and chaplains. For more information, visit the [events calendar](#).

The Conversation Hub

We appreciate the story the Hinterland Times ran this week on our project The Conversation Hub. The article is available at: https://issuu.com/hinterlandtimes/docs/ht_paper_feb_2022_emag/8

New Vine next edition on Prayer.

Message from the editor, Graham:

Hello everyone.

The holidays are over and it's that time again when we need to put our thinking caps on to come up with copy for the next edition of our journal which will be on the topic - **PRAYER**.

So, I am asking you all to send me your contributions about prayer - it can be a prayer that you wrote; a prayer that speaks to you from somewhere; a time when prayer was very meaningful to you; a time when prayer helped you greatly; a book on prayer that you have found helpful; answered prayer; a particular form of prayer; something personal or communal - whatever.

In fact, I would like to aim for an edition that is written almost totally by the congregation, so it can be about any aspect of prayer that speaks to you. I suggest

letting your minds go and opening your hearts. Please share with the rest of us.

The aim is to have it distributed by the end of February so it would help tremendously if I could have your bits and pieces [grandar@bigpond.net.au] by **Wednesday 23 February** at the latest.

I sense this could be one of those issues that comforts and holds us together during another difficult time, so please add your thoughts to help this to happen.

Peace and blessings, Graham.

Save the date: 4 March 2022 World Day of Prayer

For many, many years the World Day of Prayer is celebrated on the 4 March. Also this year

Maleny 9:30 at Baptist Church

Montville 10:00 at Montville Uniting Church

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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 Neighbourhood Centre calling for goodies for Little Pantry:

Our Emergency Relief supplies are being hit quite hard, with the Little Pantry stocks also depleting fast. These will help

Cup-a-Soup

Pasta Sauce

Baked Beans

Spaghetti

UHT Milk

\$25 IGA or Woolworths Vouchers

Defibrillator Training Saturday 19 Feb at 9am

The Church at Maleny recently acquired a defibrillator with the kind assistance of Probus Club and The Sunshine Coast Regional Council. The defibrillator will be located in a prominent place in the hall in the near future.

We are providing a brief training session on the use of the defibrillator on **Saturday February 19th** starting **9am at Maleny Uniting Church.**

In preparation for the training, please review the short video at: <https://youtu.be/qGjCdv8IW3s>

If you are able to attend RSVP Peter Callaghan

Erowal Special Prayers

We ask for special prayers for Erowal as they continue in their lockdown. A number of residents have COVID. Understandably residents, family members, staff and management are all concerned.

Let us pray for peace and healing.

Save the Date: Tuesday 1 March – Pancake Tuesday. Traditionally the day before Ash Wednesday (2 March) pancakes were baked and celebrations were had. I will be fulfilling my Bright & Breezy promise of making pancakes Africa Style on Pancake Tuesday. L

NATIONAL DAY PRAYER & FASTING 26 FEBRUARY 2022

"CREATE IN ME A PURE HEART, O GOD, AND RENEW A STEADFAST SPIRIT WITHIN ME."

Psalms 51:10

Join together with Christian Leaders and Churches of all denominations in your region to pray, celebrate and give glory to God on the National Day of Prayer & Fasting from 10AM - 4PM Saturday 26 February 2022. We encourage you to organise your own local celebration. These local observances will be linked by a live webcast co-led by Indigenous Christian Leaders. 2 Chronicles 7:14

1. Pray for a revival of purity in heart and action in Church & Nation. Ezekiel 36:26
2. Pray that this revival of purity in Christ will help transform Australia. Psalms 78:8
3. Pray that millions of people will find Christ & experience God's love. John 3:16

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