



**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

**5 June 2022**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**



**Face to Face Worship Service**

**Sunday 5 June 2022**

**Montville 8:15am: Worship Service**  
**Maleny: 9:45am: Pentecost Sunday & Holy Communion**  
 (Special Guest from Alpha Youth -Isaac Smith)  
**Palmwoods: 10:00am Worship Service**

**RCL Year C Readings**

Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b  
 Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, (25-27)

**Next Sunday 12 June 2022**

**Montville 8:15am: Worship Service**  
**Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service**  
**Palmwoods: 15:00pm Reflection in the Garden**

**RCL Year C Readings**

**Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 and Psalm 8**  
**Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15**

**DARING HOPE**

Our world may seem to be one of struggle ... but in truth Jesus has overcome the world. We are more than victorious, the fight has already been won, and we are called to a bold and daring hope.  
 How then shall we live...? .....Uniting News

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

**We Live in a Spiritual Universe**

**John 14: 23-29**

We think of ourselves as separate, distinct individuals, but on the level of spirit we merge and separate; we interpenetrate one another, we drift apart. Boundaries are not hard and fast. Even football teams know the importance of bonding. Love, admiration, gratitude, sense of identity all draw us together while suspicion, resentment, indifference, guilt and lack of trust drive us apart. We talk about having feelings of belonging, of fellowship and communion, yet we also know estrangement, alienation, rejection and loneliness.

So, we meet up with this same fluidity of spirit when we read, in John's Gospel, sayings like, "The Father and I are one", "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them, and we will make our home with them", "The Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of everything that I have said to you", "Abide in me as I abide in you". Father, Son and Holy Spirit are not three distinct individualities or gods; they indwell one another. What is more, they may dwell in us.

There are occasions when we feel at one with the universe, when we sense something of the divine in each person, even in each part of creation. Enthralled by beauty, challenged by goodness, in awe at the dimensions and intricacy of creation, our spirits are set alight with the Spirit of God. Our spirits unite with the Spirit of Christ when we love him and live the way he tells us to. When we know that deep, abiding peace which only Christ can give it is by the intimate presence of the Holy Spirit within our own spirits.

So, when we see compassion, generosity, kindness, we see, not just the greatness of the human spirit, but we see the Spirit of God's love indwelling & prompting the human heart.

- Which of the following words refer to life on the level of spirit: kindness, kidneys; abscess, absence; dopamine, desire?
- Give examples of love, admiration, gratitude or sense of identity drawing people together.
- What difference does it make to realize that God – Creator, Christ and Companion – seeks to dwell within us and be not just a distant figure to be worshipped and obeyed?
- What part of John 14: 23-29 speaks most forcefully to you?

**Rev Ron Potter**

**Piula Publications**

### COMING UP for next weeks– Details below

- Wednesday – Maleny Meditation at 8:30am
- Friday – Maleny KYB at 1:30pm
- Tuesday – Cuppa Craft at Alison's place 9:30 – 12 noon (First and Third Tuesday) 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> June

### 5-10 June Week of Prayer

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### Praying the Psalms for dear life

Please make a note in your diaries. We will be praying together our Week of Prayer series based on the Psalms from Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Material will be available on hard copy, in audio on-line and there will also be face-to-face prayer meetings.

**Maleny 5pm each day Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday the 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Montville: Wednesday at 10am**

**Palmwoods:** still to finalise details.

For more details please contact Helen Uhlmann.

**CUPPA CRAFT** will be at Alison's place on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 9:30am. Please contact Alison and let her know you are going to join the special day at her place. Mobile No. 0429 694014.

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

### Montville Uniting Church – NEW DISPLAY

The Gallery features some very interesting works of art by Julie Mengel. Julie says that these works are the embodiment of her explorations over the past few years, as we have all experienced isolation in one form or another. At her home in the hills of Bli Bli, she has been able to slow down and take time to enjoy the feel of the landscape, her creek and the local beaches.

Thank you for your support. Please continue to pray for the Gallery and its outreach.

Grace and peace to you. Barbara Willcocks and Ruth Potter  
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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**

### DRIVERS NEEDED.

Several of our members are finding it difficult to come to Church so we need drivers to transport them. Please prayerfully consider if you have a suitable car and can help in this way and give me your name so I can match you to an appropriate person. **Dorothy**

### 2 New Task Groups

At the AGM it was agreed that two task groups would be set up. They will report back to a congregational meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> July. One task group will look at our approach to mission. The other task group will look at our finances and structure. If you would like to participate in one of these task groups please let a Church Council member know ASAP.

### maleny uniting church ladies friendship group invites you to a 'pink cuppa' in aid of the mcgrath foundation.

WHEN: THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2022 AT

9.30AM. WHERE: THE

ORANGERY, CAIRNCROSS CORNER,

MALENY. COST: \$20 THIS INCLUDES A DONATION TO THE MCGRATH

foundation. payment will be at the door. guest speaker: to be advised.

RSVP: PLEASE REPLY **BY WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

TO –PATRICIA E-MAIL: [PSTICKLEY@BIGPOND.COM](mailto:PSTICKLEY@BIGPOND.COM)

(LOWERCASE) OR PHONE – **54296196** OR TEXT OR

PHONE MOBILE – **0447765228**

OTHERWISE ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU REQUIRE A LIFT – THANKS. PLEASE BRING A FRIEND (FRIENDS) TO A SHARE A DELICIOUS MORNING TEA. WE ASK THAT YOU WEAR 'A TOUCH OF PINK' SUCH AS A SCARF IN LINE WITH OUR THEME. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO SUPPORT A VERY WORTHY CAUSE.

PATRICIA, ALISON AND MARNIE.



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