



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

11th September 2022

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

****LECTIONARY THEMES****

Sin and Salvation

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28,1

Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10

Sin always has consequences, and they are always disastrous. Sometimes physically disastrous. Always spiritually disastrous. If we are not aware of this, it is because we know nothing of a life without sin. Sin is missing the mark, being less than we could be.

Preferring self-centredness to God-centredness. A break in relationship with God. Prophets like Jeremiah warned the people of their day about the disastrous consequences of sin to the nation. A life without sin would be a life in complete awareness of God's presence and love, a life lived in perfect trust and confidence in God, a life lived in conformity to the will and purpose of God.

But "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). However, at the heart of the Christian Gospel is the announcement that, "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15). To save people from living apart from God. To save us from our addictive selfishness. To save us from the disastrous consequences of our sin. To save us for life under God's love and leadership.

A right relationship with God, and based on that, a right relationship, as far as it is possible, with other people. Jesus came to call sinners to repentance, that is to a change of direction, a getting back on track. This is the Gospel of God's grace reaching out to sinners everywhere, speaking of acceptance and forgiveness, of new beginnings and the taste of what life was always really meant to be about.

To hear this Gospel, one has to realize that he or she is a sinner, one who has been missing life's target. The self-righteous person cannot hear it. It is a message for both the individual and for the community. A change of heart, a change of direction can always take place if we cooperate with what God is seeking to do in and through us.

- What are the consequences of sin?
- What is the difference between sin and sins?
- If repentance means changing direction, what part does guilt and confession play?



The Rising Sun will come to us (Luke vs 78)

Face to Face Worship Service

Sunday 11th September 2022

Montville 8:15am: Communion Service

Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service

Palmwoods: 12noon-2pm Lydia Fairhall in the Community Garden

RCL Year C Readings Pent 14 [24]

Jer 4:11-12, 22-28, Ps 14 1

Tim 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-10

Sunday 18th September 2022

Montville 8:15am: Worship Service

Maleny: 9:45am: Worship Service

Palmwoods: 10:00am Holy Communion

RCL Year C Readings (Pent 15 [25])

Jer 8:18 - 9:1 Ps 79:1-9 1

Tim 2:1-7 Lk 16:1-13

Luke 15 vs 1-10

'Celebrate with me!

I found my lost coin!'

Count on it—that's the kind of party

God's angels throw every time

one lost soul turns to God."

- What is there in Luke 15:1-10 to prompt the comment, "To hear this Gospel, one has to realize that he or she is a sinner"?
- **Rev Ron Potter** **Piula Publications**

Palmwoods: Lydia Fairhall



Sunday, 11th September, 12pm – 2pm:

“Lydia Fairhall performing during light lunch in the garden” Come and enjoy wonderful music by Worimi singer songwriter, Lydia Fairhall, along with a lunch enhanced by Bush Tukka ingredients. Lydia shares her love of family, faith and culture through her inspiring music in the lovely setting of Palmwoods Community Garden, ‘Soil & Soul’. There will be a light lunch available using some Bush Tukka ingredients. BYO drinks. Water, tea and coffee provided.

Cost: \$10. Email: contactsoil.soul@gmail.com or phone Kay: 0412539020 for more info. Where: Palmwoods Community Garden 17-19 Hill St, Palmwoods

COMING UP for next week

- Wednesday – Maleny Meditation at 8:30am
- Wednesday 5pm Future Directions Group
- Thursday – Ladies Friendship Group (see notice)
- Friday – Maleny KYB at 1:30pm
- Sunday 18th – Family Picnic

Montville Reflection Gallery NEW DISPLAY

Come and enjoy delightful photographic display by Rev Graham Warne entitled *Pathways along life's journeys*.

Barbara Willcocks and Ruth Potter

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LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Day: Thursday 15th September
Time: 9.30am - 11.30am

All ladies are invited to a Spring Morning Tea on Val Clarkson's deck, Witta.

Theme: STORIES Optional sharing of a "potted version" of your life in the 10 years after you left school.

Bring a photo if you are able and a saucer of morning tea food would be appreciated.

RSVP via sheet on Maleny Church table. Car pooling from the Church will be available.
Enquiries: Val 0408 737544

Call for Volunteers – Council has decided to call for volunteers to take on some of the important functions of the Church Administration role. Two roles available are –

- *Prep and publishing Our Common Life, weekly,
- *Coordinating Hall Hire.

If you would like to be involved or want further info, please call Peter Callaghan on M: 0458 263 322

HOPE FOR HOMES Mon 26 Sep 9am-2:30pm

JOIN with other faith communities for an inspiring and informative forum; hearing from local and interstate speakers sharing diverse initiatives that practically respond to homelessness.

To be opened by Mayor Mark Jamieson

For more info: <https://bit.ly/HOPEFORHOMES>

Ministry Contacts:

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<https://ourcommonlife.org.au/calendar-hall-hire/#>

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A prayer from the Moderator - Rev Andrew Gunton

Loving God, as we come to you this day, we give thanks for the life of Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II.

We thank you that she was baptised into the Christian faith and lived out that baptism in a life of service to you, demonstrated so visibly through her long life of service as Head of the Commonwealth.

We thank you that for her this service was built on the promises of Christ and the hope she had in His reconciliation of the whole of creation.

Gracious God we ask that you embrace her family at this time, surround her son King Charles III, his family, her other children and their families with your loving arms, allowing them to rest assured of your promises that death is not the end and that eternal salvation is assured for us through the victory that Christ won over the grave.

Merciful God as the people around the world come together in our common sense of grief and loss may we too find that sense of hope in the resurrection glory of Christ.

May we all move forward together knowing that as we celebrate the Queen's life of service and faithfulness that we too are called to live our own lives in your loving care and committed service.

May we be inspired to work together for the betterment of this world taking the example of the Queen's faithfulness to the good news of Jesus and may we be strengthened to continue to love and serve you all the days of our lives.

We pray this in the name of Christ,

Amen.



FAMILY PICNIC SUNDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER 12NOON

Our congregational family picnic is Sunday September 18th at Bob Grice's place from 12noon.

Bob has undertaken to supply the BBQ and meat.

Simply bring your family and friends and your own drinks!
All most welcome.



Kindly remember to continue to give your weekly/monthly offerings. They can be Direct Debited to Blackall Range Uniting Church.

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Grants and financial packages

Safe and Diverse Communities Grants

The Safe and Diverse Communities grants program (the grants program) supports small, targeted, community-led projects to increase the capability of multicultural communities to recognise, respond and prevent sexual, domestic and family violence across Queensland. The grants program aims to create meaningful partnerships and engagement with people from diverse backgrounds to take proactive steps in improving women's safety and through awareness and prevention initiatives to address sexual, domestic and family violence. Funding available - Applications will be invited for initiatives seeking funding from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

For more information, click [here](#).

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