



Uniting in Christ | Acting with love | Living with hope | Witnessing in faith | Working for justice

NOTICES:

Face to Face Services
Sunday 9th October 2022

Montville: 8:15am
 Holy Communion
 Maleny: 9:45am
 Palmwoods: 3:30pm
 Reflections in Garden

RCL Year C Readings
 (Pent 18)

Jeremiah 29:1,4-7,
 Psalm 66:1-12,
 2 Timothy 2:8-15,
 Luke 17:11-19

Face to Face Services
Sunday 16th October 2022

Montville: 8:15am
 Maleny: 9:45am
 Palmwoods: 9.00am
 Holy Communion

RCL Year C Readings
 (Pent 19)

Jeremiah 31:27-34,
 Psalm 119:97-104,
 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5,
 Luke 18:1-8

COMING UP for next week
Wednesday: 8:30am Maleny Meditation
Friday: 1:30pm Maleny KYB

COMING UP OCTOBER

Monday 17th: Church Council
 Tuesday 18th: Range United Prayer meeting
 Wednesday 19th: FDG (Montville)
 Thursday 20th: Ladies Friendship
 Saturday 29th: Ecumenical Breakfast
 Sunday 30th: Thanksgiving/Harvest Festival
 (Combined Service at Maleny). Also update on
 YOUR ideas re Missional Activities.

Montville Reflection Gallery
NEW DISPLAY

Come and enjoy delightful photographic display
 by Rev Graham Warne entitled
 "Pathways along Life's Journeys

Barbara Wilcocks and Ruth Potter

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 07 5478 6484 or 0455 444 453

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 07 5478 6995 or 0403 541 257

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

Future Direction Group (FDG) Update:
New Missional Activity Suggestions

Please make sure to pick up a form and fill it in.
 Please return forms (one way or another) by

Sunday 16th October.

1st feedback at Combined Service on 30th October.

Kindly 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

Ministry Contacts:

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 Email: admin@ourcommonlife.org.au

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0412 539020

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 0476 306 815

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For Church Hall Hire:

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

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Blackall Range UC incl: Maleny UC, Montville UC, Palmwoods UC.

WORD OF GOD UNCHAINED



2 Timothy 2:8-15, Luke 17:11-19

God communicates. That's important, because all strong, warm, intimate relationships depend upon good communication and it opens up the possibility for people to live in a close relationship with God. Of course, God does not speak through physical organs as we do. God can speak in any language or even in ways that are beyond language.

God communicates spirit to spirit and heart to heart. It comes in many forms, such as insight, conviction, conversion, comfort, challenge, encouragement, call. There is an intellectual side to it, but it touches the deeper parts of our emotional and core being. God can speak through any medium – another person, an incident, a series of events, a dream or vision – but many have experienced it coming through creation, the Bible, the Church and other people of faith.

Above all, God communicates through Jesus. Not only in what he says, but in his whole person, his life, death and resurrection. As John says, "The Word became flesh and lived among us." But the word of God cannot be tamed. We cannot tell God who to speak to or rule out any group that God cannot communicate with any more than anyone could tell Jesus which lepers to heal and which not to. Paul rejoiced that while he was in prison the word of God was not imprisoned. (2 Timothy 2:15) People can be killed, imprisoned or scared into silence, but God's word cannot be silenced. Irrespective of the limited influence that the church might have in the community, the word of God is not ineffective. No one, not even the church, can rightly claim to be the exclusive spokesperson for God.

God speaks directly to the heart and soul. Of course, any assumed communication from God needs to be tested against the whole history of God's self-revelation, particularly that made through Jesus Christ. It needs to be

tested against God's communication over time to the Church

Not every feeling of the heart or urging of the spirit is of God, but let's keep alert, listening for what God might be saying to us today.

- What are some examples of good communication building close relationships or the absence of communication destroying personal relationships?
- If God does not have physical organs of speech what do we mean when we talk about God speaking?
- Who or what have been vehicles of God's communication to you?
- If God speaks in many and various ways, how helpful is it to call the Bible the Word of God?

Rev Ron Potter

Piula Publications

Update on Moyra Jones

We have received an update from Moyra's family which they have asked be shared amongst the congregation:

Letting you know that Moyra now has a phone at Caloundra and so her details are below. I'd be pleased if you could pass these on to the Maleny congregation. We have now relinquished her Ben Bryce unit, and she is now a permanent resident at Caloundra Blue Care. If anyone is able to call in and see her when they are down that way, I know she would appreciate that, while she remembers us.

Caloundra Blue Care
Waroona Lodge, Room 4
10 West Terrace
Caloundra 4551

Tel: 07 54918714

Financial Update 1st Quarter 1 July - 30 Sep:

After our first quarter our offerings remain \$2,700 (approx. 7,5%) below budget. The figures are:

Offerings 1st July to 30 September	= \$37,500.
Pro rata Budget (13 weeks) =	<u>\$34,800.</u>
Current Shortfall	= \$2,700.

Thank you to Roger for his faithful bookkeeping and to each of you for your joyful giving.

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

The Range United Prayer Meeting 18th Oct 6:30pm

At a recent meeting of ministers & leaders on the range it was decided to hold a call to prayer for a "God Awakening" on the Range & Beyond.

The prayer focus will be for God to move in the hearts and lives of people, drawing them to Himself. We believe by coming together in prayer it unites the church, and enables it to Touch Heaven in a greater way. John 17:21 I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one - as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.

Date: Tuesday October 18th
Time: 6.30pm
Place: Baptist Church

Please contact your local minister for details or email info@cotr.org.au
This is an initiative of the Range Christian Leaders Network

BLUE CARD CHANGES

Ron Heitmann has kindly volunteered to be the new Blue Card co-ordinator for Blackall Range Uniting Church. Email: heitmann@westnet.com.au and phone: 0424 443 138.

The instructions below will give you advice to apply for or renew a blue card:

Using a computer rather than a phone, use your internet browser to go to: gld.gov.au/bluecard

You will get a page that starts with Blue Card Services.

Down the page you will find a blue button called "Apply for a blue card". Click on that and follow the steps to obtain an online account.

Note that you will need to verify your identity with the Qld Government – usually a driver's licence number. If your photo is out of date you will need to obtain a new photo at a TMR office.

See: <https://identity.qld.gov.au/help/faq.html#whatDocumentsDoINeedToProveMyDigitalIdentity>

When you have the online account number, give that info to me, then I will link you to the church.

After that you can complete the application for a Blue Card.

To renew a blue card, follow links on the web page to renew the card. Thanks Ron

LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP Thursday October 20, 9.30am at the Church.

Our guest speaker will be Helen Uhlmann who will speak to us on a "Surprise" topic. Ladies, come along for an informative, fun morning. Need more information? Phone 0409 586 601 or 0477 549 933.

Thanks and Kind Regards, Muriel



How a fifth-generation chook breeder finally won the ultimate crown with one good looking rooster

For anyone from the Ipswich region, you will likely know the Arnett family. Peter is the minister at Glebe Rd UC in Ipswich, and his son Lachie is



involved in the Bremer Brisbane presbytery youth activities. [Here's a great story of Lachie and his rooster from the ABC!](#)

**I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;
therefore I will wait for him."
(Lamentations 3 vs 24)**