



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

NOTICES:

Face to Face Services Services 7th May

Montville: 8.15am Worship
Maleny: 9.45 am Communion
Palmwoods: 10am Family Service

RCL Year A Readings (Easter 5)

Acts 7:55-60
Ps 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Pt 2:2-10
Jn 14:1-14

Face to Face Services Services 14th May

Montville: 8.15am Communion
Maleny: 9.45 am Service
Palmwoods 3:00 Reflections in
the Garden

RCL Year A Readings (Easter 6)

Acts 17:22-31
Ps 66:8-20
1 Pt 3:13-22
Jn 14:15-21

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

Wednesday – 8.30am Meditation at Maleny UC

Wednesday 10th – Candlelight Ceremony Against Domestic and Family Violence 5.30pm Tesch Park, Maleny

Friday – 1.30pm KYB at Maleny UC
Through the Week – various Connect Groups meet check with Peter C for contacts.

COMING IN MAY

May 28th – 5pm Pentecost Sunday
Combine Churches of the Sunshine Coast Service @ the Good Life Community Church, Buderim

NEW EXHIBITION

MONTVILLE REFLECTION GALLERY DISPLAY

The new reflection features Rev. Geraldine Wheeler's (pictured right) series of 10 works illustrating the poem *Canticles of the Creatures* by St Francis of Assisi.

MALENY COMMUNITY NEEDS

The Maleny Neighbourhood Centre could do with some of the following:

- Blankets & towels.
- Tins of Lentils
- Tins of Tomato
- Tins of soup & packets of soup
- Pasta sauce
- Toiletries...

Please drop your donations into the basket at Church or directly to the Neighbourhood Centre.

IN BRIEF

- **Pastoral Care Team** – The next Maleny Pastoral Team Care meeting is scheduled for Monday 15th May at 4pm 1Tulip Street. See you there.
- **Ladies Friendship Group, Maleny** – Cancer Support Devonshire Morning Tea on May 19th. See Marnie or Lorraine for more info.
- **May 20th – 3pm** the Inspiration Choir and Caloundra Community Choir present "HEAVEN" a concert of Heaven themed songs at the Maleny School Hall. Cost \$20
- **Friendship Dinner@Maleny** – Maleny's Sunday night shared meal on the 3rd Sunday of the month is being enjoyed by all who attend. It is good to relax and get to know each other better. So, join us on the 21st May at 5pm. to share your food and conversation.

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The Way

John 14:1-14

After reviewing many scholarly attempts to discover the historical Jesus, Albert Schweitzer, in his book, *The Quest of the Historical Jesus*, wrote, "He comes to us as One unknown, without a name, as of old, by the lakeside, He came to those men who knew Him not. He speaks to us the same words: "Follow thou me!" and sets us to the tasks which He has to fulfill for our time.

He commands. And to those who obey Him, whether they be wise or simple, He will reveal himself in the toils, the conflicts, the sufferings which they shall pass through in His fellowship, and, as an ineffable mystery, they shall learn in their own experience Who He is." And in learning who he is we learn who God is. God who comes to us beyond description, beyond definition is revealed to us as we worship, obey, trust and serve in an on-going divine-human relationship.

Jesus is our doorway to this One. He is the road that leads us into an ever-deepening relationship with the Father. John 14:16: "I am in the Father, and the Father is in me." If you want to know what God is like, look at Jesus presented to us in the pages of Scripture.

If you want to live in an on-going relationship with God, do it through a trust-filled relationship with the living Lord Jesus Christ. To know Jesus is to know God: to know God is to know Jesus. Through this one, our fellow human being, we are invited into God's eternal realm of joy, peace, justice, truth and love, and he assures us that there is no shortage of accommodation there (John 14:2). There is always room for one more.

- What have you learnt of Jesus through the Bible?
- What have you learnt of Jesus through your own experience?
- What does it mean to come to the Father by way of Jesus?
- Compare this interpretation of John 14:2 with that used at funerals.

Rev Ron Potter

Piula Publications

NEW VINE CONTRIBUTIONS

The closing date for contributions on the theme - *Stand up, stand up for Jesus* - is fast approaching, so I'm suggesting thinking caps, pens and pencils, and warmed up computers are what is needed if we are to meet the deadline of **Wednesday, 17 May**. Please send contributions to grandar@bigpond.net.au by the end of that day. Am needing all the help I can get, thanks. Graham

CHURCH COUNCIL NEWS

BR Church Council accepted Duncan Drew's resignation last meeting. The Council acknowledges Duncan's exceptional contribution to Council over many years both, in Montville and across the Blackall Range. Best wishes Duncan.

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Kindly remember to continue to give your weekly/monthly offerings.

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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.**

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