



**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 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023

**Montville: 8.15am** Worship  
**Maleny: 9.45am** Worship  
**Palmwoods: 10am** Holy  
Communion Service

#### RCL Year A Readings

(Pentecost 25)

Judges 4:1-7  
Ps 123  
1 Thes 5:1-11  
Mt 25:14-30

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(Reign of Christ)

Ez 34:11-16, 20-24  
Ps 100  
Eph 1:15-23  
Mt 25:31-46

### COMING UP NEXT WEEK

**Open Daily** - New Display at  
Montville Church's Reflection  
Gallery

**BRUC Council Meeting** – Monday  
November 20<sup>th</sup> 9am at Montville  
Uniting Church.

**Wednesday** – 8.30am Meditation  
at Maleny UC

**Friday** – 1.30pm KYB at Maleny  
UC

**Sunday** – 3.30pm @ Palmwoods  
Reflections in the Garden – All  
Welcome

### COMING UP

**Carols in the Park** – December  
1<sup>st</sup>, 7pm in Tesch Park Maleny

**Pastoral Care Meeting** - Monday  
4<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at 5  
Callistemon Court, Maleny

### CHRISTMAS@MALENY

Christmas is here .. which means a busy  
December of preps for our annual festivities.

With the **Lights and Tree Festival** this year, we  
will be holding a 'mini-Market' to sell food stuff  
and craft to visitors. **SO .. GET COOKING,  
CRAFTING AND POTTING!**

**Working Bee** to setup our Christmas displays  
at Maleny UC on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from  
about 8am. There'll be something for you to do  
when you arrive!

### LIENA'S INDUCTION SERVICE

Liena's Induction Service into her new role with  
Wesley Mission, Qld will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>  
November, 4pm at The Sanctuary (chapel), Wheller  
Gardens Wellbeing Centre, 930 Gympie Road,  
Chermside, Brisbane. All Welcome

### MONTVILLE REFLECTION GALLERY DISPLAY

**Among The Trees** is a Father and Daughter  
exhibition that explores, the Artist's experience of  
such solitude and observance as they walked  
among nature throughout various part of Australia.  
Imagery taken from the Sunshine Coast to far North  
Queensland throughout Central Queensland, South  
Australia and New South Wales is the subject for  
this exhibition.

### UPDATE – BRUC FINANCIALS

The BRUC Council have asked me to update you  
regularly on the church's financial position.

Many thanks to all for your past offerings. However,  
offerings for July to October this year are around  
\$19,100 (or 33%) below those for the same period  
last year. The church's expenses exceeded its  
income by \$11,400 for July to October.

Please consider this in your prayers and I  
encourage you to contribute a little more if you are  
able. Stuart Craig

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# Stewards of the Gospel

**Matthew 25:14-30**

You have been left a million dollars by your rich uncle, now what are you going to do with it? Splurge out on a lavish life-style, or invest it with the intention of becoming even richer? Give it all away to good and worthy causes, or set up a foundation to keep on supporting those good causes for many years to come? Maybe clear your mortgage and then give some away?

Jesus put a question like that to the high priests and Pharisees. In this parable, he virtually said to them, "You have been given the Law and the Prophets, the Temple and the Covenant, but you have blown it. You have hugged all this to yourselves. You have not used this gift to the glory of God and the well-being of the people.

Christ puts a similar question to us: "You have been given the Gospel; what have you done with it?" Have we wrapped it up and buried it in our backyard, not willing to risk it out in the hurly-burly of everyday life? Or have we invested it in daily life, lived it out amid the complexities of life, shared it with others and rejoiced in the way that it changes lives and communities? Have we played safe or have we risked living the way of Jesus?

- How would you spend a million-dollar windfall?
- What does this parable have to say about stewardship?
- How do you react to the thought that you are a steward of the Gospel?
- What risks do we run when we invest the Gospel in our daily living?

**Rev Ron Potter**

**Piula Publications**

## **TOYS FOR LOCAL CHILDREN**

Range Churches Together ask us to help the local Chappy make the holidays brighter for local children in need this Christmas.

Donate a new or good condition, clean preloved toys or festive food items and drop them into Brant& Bernhardt Property 2/20Maple Street, Maleny by the 5th of December – see flyer attached.

## **NEW VINE**

Now here's a surprise - the deadline for contributions is this Tuesday, 21 November. Only a few days left. Must get a move on.

My proper email address is [grandar@bigpond.net.au](mailto:grandar@bigpond.net.au) and I already have one item submitted - but we'll need more, so that comes as no surprise, does it! Graham

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**For Church Hall Hire:**

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

**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**

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