



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 26th November 2023

Montville: 8.15am Worship
Maleny: 9.45am Worship
Palmwoods: 3.30pm Reflections
in the Garden **PEACE VIGIL**

RCL Year A Readings
(Reign of Christ)

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

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

RCL Year A Readings
(Advent 1)

Is 64:1-9
Ps 80:1-7,17-19
1 Cor 1:3-9
Mk 13:24-37

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

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

Sunday 26th – 3.30pm @
Palmwoods Reflections in the
Garden **PEACE VIGIL** – All
Welcome

Wednesday – 8.30am Meditation
at Maleny UC

Friday – 1.30pm KYB at Maleny
UC

Friday December 1st – **Carols in
the Park**, 7pm, Tesch Park,
Maleny

COMING UP

Pastoral Care Meeting - Monday
4th December, 4pm at 5
Callistemon Court, Maleny

CHRISTMAS@MALENY

The **Christmas Lights and Tree Festival** this
year will be held from Wednesday December
20 – Saturday 23rd

We're holding a **Working Bee** to setup
Maleny's Christmas displays on **Saturday,
December 2nd** from about 8am. There'll be
something for you to do when you arrive!

We will be holding a 'MINI-MARKET' to sell
food stuff, craft and plants to visitors. SO .. GET
COOKING, CRAFTING & PLANTING!

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.

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

CHECK OUT UNITING CARE'S NEW

CHRISTMAS CARDS!

These cards allow you to send heartfelt
Christmas greetings to your loved ones while
contributing to the fight against poverty. When
you purchase a pack of eight cards for \$15, the
proceeds go towards supporting our partners in
making a lasting difference in people's lives.

[Click here to purchase!](#) The cards feature four
great designs that reflect traditional advent
themes, adding a special touch to your
Christmas greetings.

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

Christ Reigns

Ephesians 1:15-23;

2020 will go down in history as the year of the great covid pandemic. Let's hope it's not seen as the *first year* of the great pandemic. In any case, it will be remembered as the year the world changed.

The dating of the year as 2020, however, marks the year (approximately) since the world changed in an even more profound and radical way. It was the time when Christ became king. No longer was Caesar the greatest ruler on earth, and, by implication, neither are the dominant political emperors of any age. The death and resurrection of Jesus proclaimed him as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Dare we still say it today? That Jesus rules above all the dominions and powers – commercial, economic, academic, legal, etc? How confidently do we celebrate this day, the Day of Christ the King?

Christ rules in the hearts and souls of people who accept his authority, but that is not all: Christ's rule is seen in all that is holy, true, just and loving everywhere, in every society.

Christ's rule prompts us to call out racism, oppression, cruelty and injustice wherever and whenever it appears, even among our own families, communities and nation, or lurking deep within our own selves. This is more than following a party line or serving an ideology; it is responding to the voice of God expressed through the living Christ in our hearts.

- What changes has the covid-19 pandemic made in your life?
- How many of the dominant political emperors or rulers of history can you name?
- Where do you see signs of Christ's reign in Australia today?
- What action is Christ prompting you to take against racism, oppression, cruelty or injustice in your community?

Rev Ron Potter

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ACT2 NATIONAL PRAYER GATHERING

Join us on Zoom, Thursday 30 November at 8pm (AEDT). Register here [Act2 National Prayer Gathering coming up \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

SPREAD THE JOY: WESLEY MISSION QUEENSLAND RED BAG APPEAL 2023

The holiday season is approaching swiftly, but not everyone in Queensland gets to enjoy it with the same happiness. Our Emergency Relief Hub in Fortitude Valley reports an increasing number of clients facing housing, food, and financial insecurity. On the Gold Coast, our primary clients deal with mental health challenges and social isolation. For them, the Red Bag they receive at Christmas is a symbol of hope, a reminder that they're not alone and that there's a caring community around them.

Here's how you can get involved:

Online: Make a donation or purchase virtual goods on the appeal page redbagappeal.org.au.

[A full campaign brochure can be downloaded here, with all participating facilities listed.](#)

Have a Question? Contact the Wesley Mission

Queensland Fundraising Team at [\(07\) 3621 4365](tel:0736214365) or email redbags@wmq.org.au

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

They can be Direct Debited to Blackall Range Uniting Church,

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