



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 31st December 2023

Maleny: 9.45am Combined
Worship Service at Maleny Uniting
Church

RCL Year A Readings
(Christmas 1)

IS 61:10-62:3
PS 148
GAL 4:4-7
LK 2:22-40

January Services 2024

Montville: 8am usual services
continue. January 14th –
communion Service

Maleny: 9.45am
January 7th – Communion Service
then usual services

Palmwoods: 10am Services on
January 7th and Communion
Service on January 21st
3.30pm Reflections in the Garden
January 14th and 28th

COMING UP IN 2024

Maleny

KYB – commences the last Friday
of January (January 27th)

Ladies Group – commences back
in February

Meditation Group – Commences
January 24th

Connect Groups – re-recommence
through January

Pilates – commences Monday,
January 8th

Montville – Montville Gallery has a
new display commencing January
6th.

Palmwoods – usual activities
resume in early January.

CONSULTATION 2024 UPDATE

In preparations for calling our new Minister, Presbytery will be conducting a consultation with the Blackall Range (Maleny, Montville and Palmwoods) congregation on the weekend of February 17th & 18th (to be confirmed).

A survey will be available in paper form and on-line in early January for congregation members and Church Council will complete an additional survey Monday, January 29th.

The Council asks the congregation to prayerfully consider responses to the survey.

Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE

This is the final edition of Our Common Life for 2023 until January 22nd 2024 and the Office will be closed through January too. For urgent matters, feel free to ring the contacts listed below.

In the meantime, have a safe and happy New Year.

MONTVILLE REFLECTION GALLERY DISPLAY

Montville has a new display .. [the Bush Christmas](#).

Earlier this year the congregation at Montville decided that again this year for Christmas we would have a theme in the church for Christmas of a Bush Christmas. Are there things that come out of our Bush culture that can help us think about the birth of Jesus? Are there things in nature that help us reflect on the wonderful new life God offers to us in Jesus?

The display features wonderful banners that celebrate the Christmas story .. with a twist.

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

Support for communities facing natural disasters

Our prayers go out to the families and communities facing challenges, along with the devoted congregations lending a helping hand. The Queensland Synod is committed to providing tangible assistance. Congregations have the opportunity to apply for up to \$5,000 in aid for disaster relief efforts. These funds are available to congregations and/or Presbyteries to aid in covering any unexpected or exceptional expenses arising from their disaster response efforts within their communities.

If you would like to lend a hand to support our Uniting Church local congregations as they help local communities, [please donate to our Disaster Relief fund](#)

Staying safe during heatwaves

Heatwaves are a serious issue, causing more harm than any other natural disaster in Australia. Seniors are especially vulnerable to their effects.

Prepare for hot summers in Queensland with [free resources](#) courtesy of Bluecare.

BlueCare's heat health resources were co-funded by the Queensland Government and created in partnership with Griffith University.

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

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who are the traditional owners of the land upon which we live and worship.**