



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 January 28th 2024

Montville: 8.15am Worship
Maleny: 9.45am Worship
Palmwoods: please note
Reflection in the Garden is
cancelled this week due to road
works

RCL Year B Readings

DT 18:15-20
PS 111
1 COR 8:1-13
MK 1:21-28

Face to Face Services Services February 4th 2024

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

RCL Year B Readings

Is 40:21-31
Ps 147:1-11, 20c
1 Cor 9:16-23
Mk 1:29-39

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

Open Daily - New Display at
Montville's Reflection Gallery
Wednesday – 8.30am Meditation
at Maleny UC
Friday – 1.30pm KYB at Maleny
UC

COMING UP IN FEBRUARY

Sunday 4 February 5 pm –
Contemplative Taize Service for
Candlemas @ St George's
Anglican, Maleny

CONSULTATION 2024 UPDATE

The Congregational Survey is due for completion on or before January 29th.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation has started again at Maleny, 8.30 on Wednesday mornings.

Our teaching session follows Gerry Pierse as he talks about "*The prayer that Jesus taught*" and it is all over by 9.30 unless you choose to share a pastoral coffee in town afterwards. Any questions can be asked of Brain, Barbara, Marjorie or Graham.

FREE BYSTANDER ACTION WORKSHOP

Following a similar successful workshop in December, the Speak Up Now group is pleased to be able to offer another free Bystander Action training workshop on Tuesday 5th March 2024 from 8:45am to 1pm at the Maleny Neighbourhood Centre.

The Workshop will help us understand domestic & family violence and intervene to prevent episodes of violence. Contact Peter Callaghan for details.

ASH WEDNESDAY 14 FEBRUARY

Bruce & Heather Johnson are facilitating an Ash Wednesday Gathering on Wednesday February 14th at their home, 19 Attunga Court, Witta. The Liturgy will be conducted from 9 am to 10 am followed by morning tea. Join for the day or just the liturgy!

All Welcome to join just let Bruce and Heather know that you are coming and if you have any dietary requirements on M: 0407 180 864 or b_hjohnson@me.com

Suggested donation if joining for the day: \$60

Other options for Ash Wednesday services on 14 February include:

8 am St Mary's Anglican, Montville
8.30 am St Augustine's Anglican, Palmwoods
9.30 am St George's Anglican, Maleny
12 noon St Luke's Anglican, Kenilworth

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CONFIDENCE

Mark 1:21-28

Confidence makes a world of difference. If you believe in your ability to accomplish something, you probably will; if you lack that confidence, you almost certainly won't. Watch people playing sport, delivering speeches, going into business, bringing up children, or any other activity that people engage in. Provided the confidence is well-grounded and the aims realistic, people who act and speak with confidence inspire others and achieve things that people lacking that confidence never will.

According to Mark, the people of Capernaum were amazed at the level of authority or confidence with which Jesus addressed the assembled people in the synagogue. He had not come through any of the great rabbinic schools nor did he back up what he had to say by quoting other authorities. He was sure of who he was and what he had to say.

How confident are we in our faith, in our witnessing, in our presenting Christ to others? A half-hearted approach will get nowhere, but neither will an arrogant, imperious approach. Christian confidence arises out of our lived relationship with God, the experience of Christ in our lives, the presence of the Holy Spirit within. The authority upon which our confidence rests is not our own knowledge or ability but that of Jesus Christ himself. That is why we can witness and serve with authority in humility, because it is not based upon our own ability, but on the power of God at work not only within us, but also in the lives of others and in all creation.

- ❖ What builds up self-confidence? What undermines it?
- ❖ Where did Jesus get his authority from?
- ❖ What undermines your confidence to witness for Christ?
- ❖ Why is it important to link authority with humility?

Rev Ron Potter

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WEEKLY LENTEN STUDY GROUP OPTIONS FROM MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY

- Mondays @ 12 pm @ St Mary's Anglican, Montville, with Rev. Deb Bird following *The Last Week* by Marcus Borg & Dominic Crossan
- Wednesdays @ 5 pm on Zoom with Rev. Deb Bird (Details to be advised)
- Thursdays @ 10.30 am @ St Luke's Anglican, Kenilworth, following *Entering the Passion* by Amy-Jill Levine
- Saturdays @ 9.30 am @ St George's Anglican, Maleny, with Rev. Kaye Pitman following *God's Own Country* by First Nations leaders & clergy from the Anglican church

For further information, phone 5499 9130 or email maleny@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

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