



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 February 18th 2024

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

RCL Year B Readings (Lent 1)

Gn 9:8-17
Ps 25:1-10
1 Pt 3:18-22
MK 1:9-15

Face to Face Services Services February 25th 2024

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

RCL Year B Readings (Lent 2)

Gn 17:1-7, 15-16
Ps 22:23-31
Rom 4:13-25
Mk 8:31-38 or Mk 9:2-9

COMING UP NEXT WEEK

Saturday & Sunday – Consultation Team visit to Maleny, Montville and Palmwoods.
Sunday 5pm – MalenyUC Friendship Dinner
Tuesday 10am – Cuppa Craft at Maleny UC
Tuesday – final day for Contributions to The New Vine
Wednesday – 8.30am Meditation at Maleny UC
Friday – 1.30pm KYB at Maleny UC
Saturday – 8.30am Maleny UC hosts the Ecumenical Breakfast (see notice below)

HOSTING PRESBYTERY

The BRUC Council is pleased to announce that we have accepted an invite to host the Mary Burnett Presbytery meeting coming up on March 16th at the Maleny Uniting Church.

This involves setting up and packing up together with providing morning and afternoon tea and lunch for 40 – 50 delegates from around the Mary Burnett.

To make this a great day for participants, we are seeking some help from YOU!

The plan is to establish a few teams of people to assist before and on the day with –

- Garden tidy up & Set up and pack up
- Preparation of 'nice things' for morning and afternoon tea
- Prepare Communion
- Pick up pre-ordered lunch, and,
- Three shifts of three/four people to serve morning/afternoon tea and lunch and tea and coffee.

Register your interest to help with Peter C via email:
admin@ourcommonlife.org.au

[E: admin@ourcommonlife.org.au](mailto:admin@ourcommonlife.org.au)

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

COMING EVENTS

Ecumenical Breakfast – Saturday 24 Feb at 8.30am at Maleny UC. Our speaker is Rev Dr Anita Monro. See Nancy if you are able to assist.

World Day of Prayer – Friday 1 March, 9.30am at Montville Uniting Church. All welcome.

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Contemplative Taize Service for Lent 5 pm, Sunday 3 March @ St George's Anglican, Maleny

Celebration of Lynn Baker's 80th Birthday – Sunday March 10th, 2.30pm – 4.30pm at 4 Curlew Court, Maleny. Kindly RSVP on M: 0428 421 307 or email lr.baker@bigpond.com by March 1st.

Bystander Action training workshop Tuesday 5th March 2024 from 8:45am to 1pm at the Maleny Neighbourhood Centre, Apply at email speakupnowstopdomesticviolence@gmail.com

40 DAYS OF FAITHFUL ACTION FOR GOD'S CREATION

This year, UnitingWorld's Lent focus is 40 days of faithful action for God's creation. Climate change is the biggest threat to the world we want to see. It is a driver of poverty, food insecurity, conflict and forced migration. Every family and community we've helped lift out of poverty in the past decades is at risk because of the impacts of climate change.

We need to inspire people with hope and courage for the future and show them God's love for all creation through the witness of our lives.

- Set up your group's fundraising challenge **here**.
- You can receive daily reflections and our weekly video series straight to your email inbox - **subscribe here**.
- Resources will also be **shared online** as they become available.

ASYLUM SEEKERS NEEDING ACCOMMODATION – URGENT CALL

Asylum seekers are in tremendously vulnerable situations, with no work rights, no access to Medicare, or Social Security benefits, or public housing. Brisbane Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Network (BRASS) and Community are seeking the help of the churches.

An appeal to Congregations. You can help by:

- Assisting to find 3-4+ bedroom properties that could be provided for low rent. BRASS will put professional tenancy support and property management in place to support residents and property owners – using approaches we have learned over 10+ years.
- Rallying volunteers to support people from asylum seeker backgrounds in various ways
- Joining fundraising efforts to help people maintain their current tenancies for at least 3 months.
- Tax deductible donations can be directed to – GiveNow
<https://www.givenow.com.au/rentclub>
- Inviting program leaders to speak with your church community

If your church would like to assist, or there are folk in your church who would like to volunteer their time and effort, or you would like more information, please contact: Peter Branjerdporn
pbranjerdporn@anglicanchurchsq.org.au OR
M:0431 606 432 anytime!

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THE NEW VINE

The next edition, due by March, will focus on **HOPE** - I hope. It is a challenging, but very important, topic which is giving me some problems, so I am seeking as much input from our three congregations as possible. Verse, prose, sketches, photos - whatever speaks to you as you ask questions/give answers about hope - What does it mean? What does the bible say about it? - and many more. It can be your own work or something you've come across that you want to share. The final date for contributions is **Tuesday, 20 February** so please start soon and send your bits and pieces to me at grandar@bigpond.net.au by then.

Thanks, in anticipation. Graham

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

**Direct Debits to
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