



NOTICES

Face to Face Services

Sunday Services
20th October 2024

Montville 8.15am – Worship
Service conducted By Rev Anita
Maleny 9.45am – Worship Service
conducted by Rev Bruce
Palmwoods 10am – Communion
Service conducted by Rev Anita
4.30pm Gardening

RCL Year B Readings
(Pentecost 22)

Jb 38:1-7, (34-41)
Ps 104:1-9, 24, 35c
Heb 5:1-10
MK 10:35-45

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27th October 2024

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Maleny 9.45am – Worship Service
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Palmwoods 4.30pm – Growing
Together: Gardening followed by a
share meal in the Community
Garden

RCL Year B Readings
(Pentecost 23)

Jb 42:1-6, 10-17
Ps 34:1-8, (19-22)
Heb 7:23-28
Mk 10:46-52

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Sunday 20th – 2 – 4pm@the
Maleny Community Centre –
Adrian McCullum tells about his
amazing journey as part of the
Greenland Project. All welcome.

Sunday 20th – 4.30pm Maleny
Friendship Tea

Wednesday – 8.30am Christian
Meditation at Maleny UC.

Friday – 1.30pm Maleny KYB @
Maleny UC.

COMING UP

Sunday November 3rd – All Saints'
Day at Maleny and Montville
Uniting Churches.

HAS YOUR CHURCH DISAPPEARED?

Following on from the story in last week's OCL, about renewal at Redcliffe Uniting Church, you might be interested to view a short video, with Paul Clark sharing the Redcliffe UC story. The link is included. While it makes reference to "bequests" it has a wider relevance to us as we look to renewal, and as we consider the Consultation Report.

Another suggestion: read the report in the light of Matthew 28: 19-20. <https://youtu.be/UKisZKxFrZk>

Montville Uniting Church members – Natalie Lindner extends an invitation to you for our school RI concert on Monday 28th October at 2pm at the Montville School Hall.

We are extremely grateful to you for your generous donation to help make this concert possible, and we would love any members who would like to come - particularly those who help out with RI, to join us for the concert.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

The Uniting Church in Australia Assembly is delighted to extend an invitation to the Commissioning of Andrew Johnson as Assembly General Secretary, which will be held at **3pm AEDT on Saturday 23 November at Gungahlin Uniting Church** north of Canberra. It will also be live-streamed, with details below.

The 17th Assembly joyfully appointed Mr Johnson as the new Assembly General Secretary in July this year, following a rigorous nomination process. He is a deeply committed member of the Uniting Church and an established strategy, change and governance leader. He holds qualifications in law, science and theology.

RSVPs are invited by **8 November** for catering purposes. For those attending online the link is <https://uca-nswact.zoom.us/j/222916065>

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

'SOIL & SOUL' PALMWOODS COMMUNITY GARDEN

The Palmwoods Community Garden is an initiative between Palmwoods Community & Business Association (PCBA) and the Palmwoods Uniting Church. The Uniting Church land is leased to the PCBA at no cost so as to be used for the benefit of the community and the environment.

Members pay a small annual fee to care for the garden as a co-operative where produce and work is shared, or some pay for a private bed to grow veggies as individuals, families or Community Groups. Fruit trees, herbs & flowers are also grown and there is a Bush Tukka Garden and a Free Pantry for those in need.

The garden is kept as chemical free, organic and sustainable as possible and is open to the public as a place of refreshment and refuge. People are asked to be respectful of the work and gardens maintained by members.

'Reflection in the Garden' is held on the 2nd Sunday of the month; Palmwoods Harvest Swap is held on the 2nd Sunday; Collective Gardening is held on Sunday afternoons; AND; People gather for a Shared Meal under the shelter after gardening on the 4th Sunday of each month.

All ages and abilities are welcomed and asked to be kind and considerate of others and nature. Special events such as Workshops, Gatherings and Concerts are advertised on the [Facebook page](#).

How it all started – The Palmwoods Community Garden, "Soil & Soul" emerged when I (Kay Nixon) was asked to take on a more significant role in the church than working one day a week as Community Pastor. When I began working with both the existing congregation and the community for two days a week, I realised that the church owned land that had been sitting dormant for a long time (due to the Uniting process and the Presbyterians' move to the Methodist church). I suggested that these two blocks should be either sold and the money put to good use in the community or the land itself used as a point of connection with the community. Hence, the suggestion of a Community Garden.

Read more of the story by Community Pastor, Kay Nixon, about how Soil & Soul Palmwoods Community Garden had its beginnings at the [Synod's Stories & News Page](#)

COMMUNITY CHAPLAINS' MINISTRY

Community chaplains are individuals who offer compassionate support during times of trauma, hardship, grief, and despair. These "grass-root-level practitioners" complement the work of medical professionals and emergency services by providing a caring presence when people need it most.

In 2025, the Nambour and Hinterland region will see the launch of Friends of Community Chaplaincy, an initiative dedicated to training and supporting community chaplains to assist those facing life's challenges.

The movement will begin with a team of volunteers who will be trained to offer help at no cost to community members.

The Friends of Community Chaplaincy initiative aims to bring together people who have a natural gift for helping others. By remaining a non-denominational, Christian-based movement, Friends of Community Chaplaincy will follow the philosophy of Jesus—offering care to all, without judgment.

Led by Mark Wall, an experienced community chaplain, the initiative will operate under the Sanctuary Park Nambour Church of Christ's organisational structure and will be funded by donations.

The public is warmly invited to learn more about the initiative by attending a café-style forum on Saturday, October 26th at 9:30 am at Sanctuary Park in Nambour.

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