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### **Liturgical Date: Year B, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021** **Season of Creation - SKY Sunday.**

**Presenter**                      **Rev Rob Hanks**

**Focus Readings**              Jeremiah 4:23-28

**Message**                      7 minutes 25 seconds                      **"A Sky full of Stars"**

#### **Discussion Starters**

- 1** What is your favourite memory or view, under the sky?
- 2** When is a time you recall closeness to God experienced anywhere in the creation/environment?
- 3** What stands out for you, reflecting on the readings from scripture?
- 4** How might care for the sky, understanding human impact, be an act of grounding ourselves in God?

#### **Lectionary readings for the day**

**Psalm 19** The law of the Lord is perfect, 'reviving one's very being'. The ordinances of God are to be desired to guard faults and the company of the insolent.

**Philippians 2:14-28** Talking to the people in Philippi, reference is made to people's behaviour needing to be innocent and pure and shining like stars that light up the sky.

**Mark 15:33-39** The death of Jesus and the Army Officers declaration, "This man was really the Son of God".

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**All Age Message** Maria Williams and "Doodly".                      **"An unexpected advocate"**

**Length** 7 Minutes 45 seconds

#### **Precis of AAM**

The psalmist said, "How clearly the sky reveals God's Glory". Ancient peoples believed they lived at the mercy of the climate and elements. We are the 1<sup>st</sup> generation who know we need to navigate a transformation to a globally sustainable future. A safe and just space will give us all that future.

**Resources**                      **Uniting in Worship (Blue Book) Psalm 19:1-6, page 255**

#### **Rev Rob Hanks**

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