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Liturgical Date: Year B, 26th September 2021 Season of Creation - Mountains Sunday.

Presenter **Rev Tom Stuart**

Focus Readings Isaiah 65:17-25, Romans 8:28-39

Message 9 minutes 10 seconds "From the Mountain"

Discussion Starters

- 1 What is something you take from Tom's message?
- 2 Where in life, your life, do you need to view from a higher mountain?
- 3 What aspect of life of your congregation supports this hope?
- 4 How can people in your congregation be helped by this higher, longer, view?

Other Lectionary readings for the day

Psalm 48:1-11The song of Zion celebrates Jerusalem as a place of safety. Jerusalem is a community whose life is to embody how God wants people to live together. The city of Jerusalem is referred to as God's holy hill.

Mark 16:14-18 Jesus appears to the eleven disciples after his resurrection. They are hiding, afraid and disbelieving of what they had been told that Jesus was alive. Jesus gives them the great commandment to go to the world and preach the gospel to all mankind. This preaching would bring amazing results.

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All Age Message Laraine Chegwidden

"Look to the mountains"

Length 5 Minutes 35 seconds

Precis of AAM There are lots of signs we have to follow and adhere to in our society. The mountain sign we see today is for this week of the Season of Creation. The Bible has many stories about mountains and wonderful things occurred on mountains in the stories. "Bobby the Mountain Climber" story has some lessons for us about how we see things that challenge us. If we look to the mountains at the same time we may look to God.

Resources Uniting in Worship (Blue Book) Psalm 48:1-11, page 286-287

Rev Tom Stuart

I am the Minister of the Word at the Charlestown/Garden Suburb Uniting Churches in The Hunter Presbytery. Currently one of my passions is trying out a new form of restoration and relaxation – trekking, or hiking. I load up my backpack and walk. It gets me back into nature that this season remembers and away from all the disruption that seems to be part of our Covid-19 world.