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Liturgical Date: Year C, Baptism of Jesus, 9th January 2022

Presenter Mrs Gail Hinton

Focus Readings Luke 3:15-17,21-22 and Acts 8:14-17

Message 6 minutes 23 seconds "Affirmation, Security, Blessing"

Discussion Starters

- 1 Describe the presenter's perspective on Jesus's Baptism in your own words?
- 2 Recollect a time in your past when you felt the presence of the Spirit as affirmation, security, or blessing?
- **3** What difference does it make to a community of faith to understand they share in one Spirit?
- 4 What does today's message tell us about being empowered to act in witness and in service?

Lectionary readings for the day

Psalm 29 The heavenly court cries out praise to the one God to whom all honour is due. God's might echoes through the thunder of the storm.

Isaiah 43:1-7 God brings the people back from Babylonian exile in the trappings of a new exodus. God promises to be with the people as they pass through the fire and water because the people are precious in God's eyes.

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All Age Message Mrs Gail Hinton "God's Spirit is with us always"

Length 3 Minutes 7 seconds

Precis of AAM

Our speaker talks about what it was like when she was a child and her good imagination made her afraid of the dark. Sometimes she would call out and others, she remembered that God's Spirit was cradling her and keeping her safe.

God's plan is to make the world a better place and he is always with us, even when all alone in the dark.

Resources Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 29 pages 266-267

Mrs Gail Hinton

Exit Candidate for Minister of the Word at Uniting Theological College, passionate gardener and animal lover, love designing my garden and playing with colour schemes indoor and outdoor.