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Liturgical Date: Year C, Palm Sunday, 10th April 2022

Presenter **Bill Loader**

Focus Readings Luke 19:28-40

Message 9 minutes 5 seconds **“Jesus’ Last Days”**

Discussion Starters

- 1** How would it matter if you knew only of Jesus’ death and not what he did in his ministry?
- 2** How do you see yourself as being part of the story of Jesus’ last days? What does it mean to you?
- 3** Where does a group or congregation belong in the story? What are the implications, as you see it, for your faith community, your group of disciples?
- 4** The faith of Jesus was not just private. What does it mean for us if we see faith not just as a private matter? What does your faith alert you to these days?

Lectionary readings for the day

Isaiah 50:4-9a This servant of God—in contrast to the people described in Isaiah 50:1-3 – listens to God’s word, obeys God, and trusts in God’s help and vindication even in the face of contention and disgrace.

Psalms 118:1-2,19-29 The psalmist jubilantly celebrates the salvation of God, and God’s deliverance from death to life.

Philippians 2:5-11 The ancient hymn gives witness both to the faithfulness of Christ (in emptying himself, becoming human, and suffering death on the cross), and to the faithfulness of God (in exalting Jesus above all other names). Jesus is the suffering servant whom God vindicates.

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All Age Message Bill Loader **“Magpie - Murderer”**

Length 4 minutes 45 seconds

Precis of AAM

Magpie talks about how he behaves. What works for good and what is bad and how he likes to sing to the wind to sort out his thoughts...this was almost like praying for him.

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 118:1-2,19-29 Page 335-336.

Bill Loader

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