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**Liturgical Date: Year C, Easter Sunday, 17th April 2022**

**Presenter**                    **Rev Betty Stroud**

**Focus Readings**    Luke 19:28-40

**Message**            9 minutes 40 seconds                    **“An Extravagant God”**

### **Discussion Starters**

- 1** How do you react to the idea that the Easter message is about God’s extravagance?
- 2** Where in your life, have you found God’s extravagant love bringing new life, hope and transformation?
- 3** Where in your congregation, can you see evidence of God’s extravagant love, life, hope and transformation?
- 4** How do our lives, and the life of our congregation bear witness to Christ’s transforming presence in our community?

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

**Isaiah 65:17-25** God creates new heavens and a new earth where there is joyful and abundant life for God’s faithful servants. This alternate reality is a future and yet present promise.

**Psalms 118:1-2,14-24** The psalmist jubilantly celebrates the salvation of God, and God’s deliverance from death to life.

**1 Corinthians 15:19-26** The Resurrection, according to Paul, is the first scene in the final and climactic act of God’s drama to redeem the world. The Resurrection creates hope in the believers in this life and for the life to come.

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**All Age Message**    Rev Betty Stroud                    **“Sally and Sarah talk about Easter”**

**Length**    3 minutes 50 seconds

### **Precis of AAM**

Sarah and Sally have a conversation on what is the purpose of Easter eggs. Sarah thinks gobbling them up until you almost feel sick is the way to go! But Sarah talks about the symbol of the eggs and what the real meaning of Easter is, and suggests spending more time thinking about the meaning of Jesus’ resurrection and the new life he gives us all.

**Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 Page 335-336.**

### **Rev Betty Stroud**

I am a retired (mostly) UCA minister living in Orange. I enjoy doing the occasional supply ministry; theatre and music provide me with much pleasure and bring me energy and life; I love walking - particularly in the bush, pottering in my garden, reading and keeping up with family and friends.