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Liturgical Date: Year C, Pentecost 7, 24th July 2022

Presenter

Rev John Barker

Focus Readings Luke 11:1-13

Message 10 minutes 15 seconds ***"Father, Hallowed be your Name, your Kingdom Come."***

Discussion Starters

1. What do you think Jesus is emphasising in his lesson?
2. Can you relate to how Jesus is focused on approaching prayer?
3. In your Church life, does Jesus' teaching on prayer encourage any new initiatives or action (on prayer)?
4. When Jesus teaches on prayer, he speaks on 'forgiveness', how does this influence approaches/interaction to your community?

Lectionary readings for the day

Hosea 1:2-10 Hosea develops the analogy between his marriage to a prostitute and Israel's marriage to God. Israel has been unfaithful, and God declares that Israel's children are not God's children. God will not save them in the onslaught that is to come.

Colossians 2: 6-15 Through his death, Christ cleansed us from our sins. Paul reminds us that through our baptism we have been raised with Christ. Paul urges the Colossians to be faithful to the one true God.

Psalms 85 God is angry, and the people ask to return to God's favour. They remind God of all the good things God has done in the past and pray that those times will come again.

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All Age Message: Glenda Downie

"Unity in the Church"

Length 3 minute 30 seconds

Precis of AAM

Today we are talking about Unity and what that means. Unity according to the Bible means coming together for a common goal which is loving God and loving others. Using 'Skittles' we are shown that if we put God at the Centre then as a church we can make a beautiful pattern in our society.

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 85 (8-13) pages 308-309

Rev John Barker

I am a Minister in full-time Placement at the Northern Beaches Church (regional), with oversight responsibility for Manly and Cromer Uniting Churches. Manly Church is effectively a new 'church plant' initiative after having gone through extensive renovations. I am married to my wife, Joanna, and have four adult children, only one left home now. I completed my Masters of Theology College. My main hobby is undertaking doctoral research as a PhD candidate with United Theological College. My main hobby is surfing that I enjoy with my 2 sons very much. We also have a very active dog that needs lots of walks!