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Liturgical Date: Year C, Pentecost 10, 14th August 2022

Presenter ***Rev Elizabeth Raine***

Focus Readings Luke 12:49-56

Message 4 minutes 45 seconds ***“Signs of the times”***

Discussion Starters

1. How do we hear these words of Jesus today? Are Jesus’ words expected and what might have been the context for saying them?
2. How do we interpret the present time? What is Jesus calling each of us to do in our current world?
3. What is Jesus calling the church to do in our current world?
4. What sort of model is this for the church in the community it is based?

Lectionary readings for the day

Isaiah 5: 1-7 The opening message of the prophet Isaiah is quite clear: God is most angry. While holding out the possibility of forgiveness, God sees a people whose violent and unjust actions give the lie to their empty worship.

Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2 What does it mean to live by faith? After presenting us with a definition of faith – things hoped for but not seen – the author presents us with portraits of those who lived faithful lives. They stepped out in faith but did not see the promise fulfilled.

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18 God, the mighty one, is our judge, and no other. And it is God who testifies against us.

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All Age Message: Rev Elizabeth Raine ***“Noah and our future”***

Length 4 minutes 45 seconds

Precis of AAM

Jesus talked about the signs of the times. The rainbow in the Noah story was to remind us of God’s Commitment to the world and all the animals. In our world today we need to assess the difference between ‘greed’ and ‘need’ when we look at climate change, pollution and the extinction of many of our animals and listen to the words of Jesus.

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-18 pages 305 (only 1-2 are listed).

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