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Liturgical Date: Year C, Pentecost 15, 18th September 2022

Presenter Rev Tom Stuart

Focus Readings Luke 16: 1-13,

Message 10 minutes 20 seconds ***“The Irrepressible Kingdom of God”***

Discussion Starters

1. What is your take home message from the message and service today?
2. Recount a story of “the kingdom of heaven” making good of a bad situation!
3. How do you as a church, encourage hope in the irrepressible kingdom of God!?”
4. Discuss what the good news is from this perspective for the world we live in today?

Lectionary readings for the day

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 The voice of Jeremiah and God are intertwined in this duet professing grief and heart sickness at the condition of Israel. Jeremiah’s anguish is God’s anguish.

Psalms 79:1-9 The psalmist petitions for help and deliverance for a people whom the nations have devoured, begging God to turn away his wrath and forgive.

1 Timothy 2: 1-7 The author urges us to pray for their leaders and everyone else, so they might “lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity (v2). Such prayer joins us with our saving God.

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All Age Message: Laraine Chegwidan ***“Faith calms Fears”***

Length 5 minutes 30 seconds

Precis of AAM

Uses the book “Jesus and the Storm” by Andrew McDonough.

The disciples had to go for Jesus for help because they were very afraid. Their faith knew that he could help them. A song says “Faith is like a muscle” – muscles need to be kept working to stay strong – to have faith we need to put it to work, it doesn’t happen if we only use it once.

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 79:1-9 (not included).

Rev Tom Stuart

Tom’s latest goal is to start out on the Great North Walk which begins at the Obelisk in Macquarie Place, Sydney, and ends at Newcastle Harbour. It can be broken up into short walks, but Tom is hoping to begin in the trek in the next few months in the next few months.