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Liturgical Date: Year B, Easter 2, 7th April 2024 Presenter: Rev Liam Miller

Focus Reading: John 20:19-31

Message 6 minutes 20 seconds

"The Creative Breath of Christ"

Discussion Starters

- 1 What phrase or image stood out to you in the message?
- 2 How is your sense of being a Christian shaped by the breath of Christ which equips us to carry on what he has done?
- 3 What do you think it might mean for your church to do "greater works than these"?
- 4 How can your church offer peace to the local community?

Lectionary readings for the day

Psalm 133 The psalmist speaks quite vividly of the goodness in being united, stressing "how pleasing it is / when families live together as one" (v1).

Acts 4:32-35 This passage, detailing one of the first gatherings of Christians, emphasises their unity in that "the community of believers was one in heart and mind" (v32).

1 John 1:1-2:2 This epistle particularly highlights that which brings believers together; namely, the resurrected Christ. The apostle uses vivid imagery of hearing, seeing, and touching the person of Christ who is the One who truly unites believers.

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All Age Message: Glenda Downie

"Changed Heart"

Length 4 minutes 48 seconds **Precis of AAM**

What happens after we become a part of God's family? Luke tells the story of Zaccheus – he had a change of heart once he had encountered Jesus, he repented of his sins of stealing to gain riches. Being surrounded by God's love softens us and changes our hearts. Check out what happened to the eggs!

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 133 page 345

Rev Liam Miller

I am currently in placement on Garigal and Gayamaygal land with the Forest Kirk Uniting Church in Forestville NSW. I have two young daughters, the eldest of whom is in primary school, and I am completing a PhD with Charles Sturt University which is exploring the task of Christian Doctrine in conversation with theatre and adaptation.