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Liturgical Date: Year B, Easter 6, 5th May 2024

Presenter: Rev John Cox

Focus Reading: John 15:7-19

Message 10 minutes 38 seconds

“...From Servants to Friends”

Discussion Starters

“Best friends make the good times better and hard times easier”

- 1** Discuss how you have experienced this quote?
- 2** How is love shown to each other in your church?
- 3** Who might your church show love to in your community?
- 4** How could you do this?

Lectionary readings for the day

Psalm 98 God moves to restore righteous order in creation. In repose the psalmist calls the earth to rejoice, first in Israel, then in the rest of the nations, and finally throughout all creation.

Acts 10:44-48 God pours out the Spirit on the household of Cornelius in Caesarea, surprising Peter and his associates and prompting them to glossolalia and praise. In this passage God interrupts Peter’s preaching with his outpouring.

1 John 5:1-6 God births children of faith through Jesus and causes them to overcome the world. In birth the child is a passive recipient of life from the parents, as are children born of God.

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All Age Message: Rev John Cox

“Who are Friends and What do Friends Do?”

Length 5 minutes 25 seconds

Precis of AAM

In the story two people did not see their differences that can cause problems, arguments, and conflict. They experienced friendship, trust and caring for each other.

Resources: Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 98 pages 319-320

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