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Pentecost 22 Year C November 9th

Presenter: Rev Murray Lund
Focus Reading: Luke 19:1-10
Message: 8 minutes 30 seconds

"Questions About the Resurrection"

Discussion Starters

- 1. How do you picture resurrection life?
- 2. Is there a difference between the idea of an immortal soul and that of resurrection life? If so, what do you see as a difference?
- 3. How does believing in the resurrection life shape the way you live day by day?
- 4. The message used the phrase 'the more' to refer to resurrection life. Is the thought of there being more to life than what we can see and touch, a point of connection with community looking for meaning of life?

Readings for this day

Haggai 1:15b-2:9 God speaks a word of encouragement to the people of Judah. Even in the ruins of the temple, God confirms the covenant of God's unending presence and promises to rebuild the temple to its previous glory.

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-20 The psalmist praises the works of God that are witnessed throughout the generations and gives thanks for God's continuing presence.

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 In the midst of persecution the people are reminded of God's continuing presence through Jesus Christ. Comfort comes in the presence of God.

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All Age Message: Rev Murray Lund

"Preparing the Way"

Length: 3 mins 0 seconds

If you decided to go on the 220ks walk along the Larapinta Trail in the Northern Territory, it would take you 10 days to walk the whole route. You would need to carry your pack with clothes, sleeping needs, some food and some water. At the end of the day, you would come to a place to rest, cook food, use a proper toilet and sleep – every 3 days food would be left for you at that stop. Someone has gone ahead and prepared the way for you! Jesus has gone ahead to prepare a place for us as we look at today's readings.

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 145: 1-5, 13-17 – pages 352 (2nd part only).

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