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Christmas 1 Year A December 28th 2025

Presenter: Rev Tom Stuart

Focus Reading: Matthew 2:13-23

Message: 10 minutes 55 seconds

"God's Power in Smallness"

Discussion Starters

1. What is something you can take with you from today's message?
2. Recount something from your own knowledge of or experience that connects with some aspect of today's message?
3. How does the idea that God's kingdom is present through steady, hidden, faithfulness, give insight and hope to your congregation or faith community?
4. What is the hope in today's message in the context of the world as you see it?

Readings for this day

Isaiah 63:7-9 God is present with the people of Israel and calls, protects, and saves them.

Psalms 148 All creation – human, animal, vegetable, and earth itself – sings praise to the Lord whose "majesty is over earth and heaven" (v13).

Hebrews 2:10-18 The "children" share flesh and blood with each other and with Jesus Christ who became human, overcame death, and continues to help those in need.

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All Age Address: Rev Tom Stuart

Length: 4 mins 10 seconds

"The Whole World is Singing"

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Psalms 148 tells us the whole earth is singing. How can that be? It is a song for everything that God made. The whole universe wanted to sing together. Humans praise God when we sing together but also when we live the way we were meant to live. Show kindness, care for the earth, tell the truth and use our gifts. Take time to stop and listen for the world singing!

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 148 - not listed in Blue Book

Rev Tom Stuart

Minister in placement at the Charlestown & Garden Suburb Congregation of the Uniting Church, realising that on 28th December I will be 12 months away from retirement even as I am loving the privilege of ministry just as much as ever.

