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Pentecost 22 Year A, October 25th

Presenter: Rev Tuima Waqanibaravi

Focus Reading: Deuteronomy 24:1-12, Matthew 22:34-46

Message: 9 minutes 0 seconds

"Sovereignty and Sacredness"

Discussion Starters

1. Do we own sovereignty or do we belong to sovereignty? Example: Identity, traditions, land, faith, church.
2. What does it mean to be of sovereignty or to be of something that is sacred?
3. Is there an openness to it or do we hold to it exclusively?
4. As congregants how do we engage with the sacredness of the church.

Readings for this day

Psalm 90: 1-6,13-17 Ascribed to Moses, this corporate lament describes God as eternal amidst human frailty. It asks God to show compassion to God's fragile Servants.

Thessalonians 2:1-8 Paul reminds the Thessalonians how he and others came among them with God's gospel: not with greed or trickery, but sharing themselves as a gentle nurse.

Matthew 22:24-36 Jesus is tested and questioned about the greatest commandment, but he turns the tables with a question about the Christ: how can the one who David calls Lord also be his son? How can the lowly descendant be the greatest?

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Intergenerational Talk

"The Holy Shadow"

Rev Tuima Waqanibaravi

Length: 2 minutes 09 seconds

Precis of IT:

Tuima, talks about how the Māori's changed their thinking, so they could move forward in the 1970's to enable all people to be alongside of them. They opened up their meeting places, their most sacred place, for all people to go into. The Haka also embodies all people together and their sovereignty is held up for all to belong.

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 90 - pages 311-312

Rev Tuima Waqanibaravi I am in team ministry at Parramatta Community UCA and am of Fijian ethnicity. My interests are in the coming together of God's people from a diversity of cultures. I imagine the Lord's feast coming together from all continents with the excitement of arts for the sight, cuisine for the pallet and a symphonic harmony of sound of the amassed people for the ears. Also important is the respect we accord to the rich and yet sacred space.