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Advent 2, Year B, December 6th
Presenter: Rev Prof Bill Loader
Focus Reading: Mark 1:1-8

Message: 7minutes 53 seconds "Beginning with John the Baptist"

Discussion Starters

1. What caught YOUR interest in the presentation?
2. How does this relate to YOUR faith journey?
3. What light do you think this message sheds on how you see and work with leaders in Your church?
4. What does it mean to do what Jesus did in YOUR community?

Readings for this day

Isaiah 40:1-11 The prophet and a member of the heavenly council proclaim God's comfort to the people of Israel who have experienced God's absence and as punishment for their sins. In response, the people prepare for God's coming presence.

Psalm 85:1-2, 8 -13 The psalmist declares that God's favour will return. Favor forms a more basic part of God's nature than does wrath.

2 Peter 3:8-15a The delay of the second manifestation of the risen Christ is an act of grace and patience. In anticipation, the church acts in holiness.

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Intergenerational Talk: Rev Prof Bill Loader

Length 3 minutes 30 seconds "Meet Mandy!"

Precis of IT:

Today we meet with Mandy Mandarin - and have an interesting conversation about how we are not all the same but that everybody matters and God's love reaches out to everyone. Mandy finds out we don't have to be all the same to be in God's family.

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 85: (1-2), 8-13, pages 308-309

Rev Prof Bill Loader

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