At-Home Worship July 9, 2023





## The Kindom Found in a Mustard Seed

Words of Welcome Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. Randall Hartsell Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship Lois Wimpey

one: Those who love the Lord will spring up like a palm tree, strong like a cedar of Lebanon.

all: Those who have been replanted in the Lord's house will spring up in the courtyards of our God.

one: The faithful of God will bear fruit even when old and gray.

all: The faithful of God will remain lush and fresh in order to proclaim the glory of God.

one: Praise the God who makes communities of faith flourish and grow.

all: The Kin-dom of God is here!

(adapted from Psalm 92:12-15)

\*Opening Hymn "God of the Fertile Fields" Chalice Hymnal #695; vv 1-3

Invocation Lois Wimpey

Prayer Response "Seek Ye First" Chalice Hymnal #354

THE WORD - We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination "Be Still" Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Worship & Wonder Story "The Marvelous Mustard Seed" Judy Nickum by Amy-Jill Devine and Rabbi Sandy Sasso

told in the Children Worship & Wonder space

Scripture Mark 4:30-34 (Common English Bible) Nancy Phipps

Scripture Ezekiel 17:22-24 (Common English Bible) Nancy Phipps

Sermon "The Kin-dom Found in a Mustard Seed" Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Special Music "A Change in Me" Cody Kreutzer, vocal solo

words by Tim Rice, music by Alan Menken, from Beauty and the Beast: The Broadway Musical

## THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Response in Song "You Are the Seed" Chalice Hymnal #478; vv 1-2

Invitation to Stewardship

Nancy Phipps

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\*Doxology "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" Chalice Hymnal #718; v 3

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Communion Response "Seed, Scattered and Sown" Chalice Hymnal #395; vv 1-2

**SENDING FORTH** – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

\*Closing Hymn "To What Can the Kingdom of God Be Compared"

\*Blessing and Benediction Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Postlude "All Creatures of Our God and King" arr. Melody Bober Julie Dean, piano

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