

Dear All,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

This coming Sunday, July 26, is the Tenth Sunday of Pentecost! We will once again hear Jesus talking about seeds as he teaches about the Kingdom. This week we will be focusing on the parable of the mustard seed. In preparation for worship, I invite you to reflect on the size of a mustard seed. Maybe you have planted one before, or you may have some in your spice cabinet! If not, you can also think about yeast, as we will hear about yeast alongside of the mustard seed. Consider all the potential contained in these tiny objects! Think about times when you have felt like your faith is small, or your gifts are small, or your impact is small. Now consider your own potential according to God's perspective!

We will continue our practice of hybrid worship. This means that you are welcome to join us in person and that you are welcome to join us from home, whatever works best for you. If you are able to access technology for online worship, we will be live streaming the service via Youtube and Facebook.



For Youtube Live, please go to our channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPh2zjtSFxk2uo9_YWEusCQ/, subscribe to it, and enable notifications. The live video should be up and running just before the service starts. If you watch later, click on our channel and then select "Live" videos. You can also watch afterward on our website at: <https://fpchighland.org/worship>.

For Facebook Live, please go to our page here: <https://www.facebook.com/firstpchighland/> around the start of worship. A recording of the service will remain on our Facebook page if you want to watch later.

As always, I have included worship materials, including the bulletin, readings, hymns, a sermon, and creative activities for disciples of all ages.

I leave you with these words from *Matthew*:

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.

In Christ and with Love,

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