

## Storyteller Week Three: The Workers in the Vineyard.

### Discussion Questions:

- 1.) Read Matthew 20:1-16. A typical day's wage for a laborer during the time of this parable is a denarius. In the parable, each worker received the same wage even though they did not all work the same number of hours. The vineyard owner did not deceive anyone by paying them a dishonest wage. In the parable, the owner of the vineyard chose to be generous. Does his generosity frustrate you? Why or why not?
- 2.) Sometimes, we can fall into the trap of comparing our lives to someone else and become angry at God about another person receiving a monetary blessing such as a better-paying job, a nicer home, or another example. How have you seen this to be true in your own life? Create a gratitude list. Spend time considering your relationship with God and others as the centerpiece of your list.
- 3.) In the message, Vicar Justin Arnold asked us to consider, "What if God isn't fair?" Read James 2. We learn in Scripture that God does not show favoritism. He loves each of us the same. God asks us as His children to love others as He loves us. Is there someone in your life right now you find difficult to love? Spend time in prayer about the relationship and ask God for guidance.
- 4.) In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we clearly see how mercy triumphs over judgment, as James writes in James 2:13. Where is God convicting your heart today through the message? How is God helping you better understand His mercy and grace? What step is He leading you to take in your walk with Him?