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In Ministry

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HIGH  
POINT  
*Friends*  
MEETING  
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## Luke 19:1-10 CEB

1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through town. 2 A man there named Zacchaeus, a ruler among tax collectors, was rich. 3 He was trying to see who Jesus was, but, being a short man, he couldn't because of the crowd. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed up a sycamore tree so he could see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. 5 When Jesus came to that spot, he looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down at once. I must stay in your home today." 6 So Zacchaeus came down at once, happy to welcome Jesus.

7 Everyone who saw this grumbled, saying, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

8 Zacchaeus stopped and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone, I repay them four times as much."

9 Jesus said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this household because he too is a son of Abraham. 10 The Human One came to seek and save the lost."

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## Message:

### "Abundance in Action"

**Open Worship:** In this time of open worship, Friends take time to center down, wait on God to provide ministry to your soul and see if God wishes to use you as an instrument of grace.

**Hymn:** "We Are One in the Spirit" #212

**Benediction:**

Thoughts for Reflection:

"A saint always knows that there is more than enough for our need but never enough for our greed. In the midst of the structural stinginess and over-consumption of our present world, how do we possibly change consciousness and teach the mind to operate from mercy and graciousness? It will always be an uphill battle, and will always depend upon a foundational and sustained conversion. Even the churches tend to be stingy with grace and mercy...Only our personal experiences of unconditional, unearned, and infinite love and forgiveness can move us from the normal worldview of scarcity to the divine world of infinite abundance. That's when the doors of mercy blow wide open! That's when we begin to understand the scale-breaking nature of the Gospel." *Richard Rohr*

Spiritual practices "...are intended to transform inspiration into action, so that we can live more meaningfully and fully every day." *(Sharon Brous)*

**Practice:** *Pay forward the gifts and generosity you have received in your life.*

# High Point Friends Meeting

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Today's Flowers are in Memory of Martha Hayworth

Prelude: Cherish That Beautiful Name/

Wonderful Name Jesus

*As the music begins, we invite Friends to settle into a silence that serves to prepare us for our time of worship. Welcome the music to gather us together as a faith community at worship.*

Welcome & Announcements:

Centering Prayer: ""Loving God, help us to settle in and be present to the abundance of Your love this morning. Help us to see in ourselves, and in others, the same potential and possibilities that You see in us. May Your generous Presence flow through us so that our lives and actions are generous towards one another. Amen.""

Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" #28

Prayers & Concerns:

Offertory: Beautiful Star of Bethlehem

Choir:

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Hymn: "Fairest Lord Jesus" #58

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