

OPENING PRAYER Sept 20, 2026 Sunday Worship

Reflecting on **Matthew 20:1-16**

Attentive God, Jesus' story tells us of a landowner who gave each worker a denarius (a day's wage) regardless how much they worked. Unfortunately the usual days wage was just subsistence so anything less would have been harmful. In your kingdom the needs of all are met without regard to who we are, what we can give, or how hard we work. You know and hear those who are in want, poor, hungry, thirsty, or naked. The world we live in is a world of greed and inequity. But we are your people and you count on us to care for each other. Bless us as we gather to worship and help us to be compassionate, remembering that we belong to you and to each other in Christ Jesus, in whose holy name we pray. Amen.