Discussion Questions — Parable of the Mustard Seed (Matt 13: 31-32)

- What are these parables about?
- What is the kingdom of heaven like?

Tiny Seed
- What is the smallest seed?
- Why is a mustard seed like the kingdom of heaven?
- What are we to learn from a small seed becoming a large tree?
- What does it have to do with us and the kingdom of heaven?
- How can you apply this parable today?

Leaven
- Why is leaven like the kingdom of heaven?
- Have you ever seen anyone bake bread?
- What ingredients do they use?
- How much flour did the woman use? (3 measures of meal)
- How much flour is “three measures”? (Some say 50 pounds, others 80 pounds, approximately enough flour to make 100 loaves of bread that sounds more like a bakery than a kitchen at home)
- What is most like leaven when we bake bread? (yeast)
- Have you ever seen yeast?
- Why is it important?
- How does this affect how we live?
- Who would represent the “flour” in our lives?
- Who would represent the “yeast”?
- What does this say about our world and our place in it?