

## Dwelling in the Word

Luke 10:1-12 *New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)*

### The Mission of the Seventy

**10** After this the Lord appointed seventy<sup>[a]</sup> others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. **2** He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. **3** Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. **4** Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. **5** Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ **6** And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. **7** Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. **8** Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; **9** cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’<sup>[b]</sup> **10** But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, **11** ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’<sup>[c]</sup> **12** I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

*What caught your imagination?*

*How might the Spirit be speaking to us in our role as leaders in the Diocese?*