

28 June 2015 PENTECOST 5B

THIS WEEK'S THEME:

Jesus has power over sickness and death.

meattime prayer

With this food you make us strong. To you our life and love belong. Thanks be to you, O God! Amen.

verse for the week

But Jesus paid no attention to what they said. He told the synagogue leader, "Don't be afraid; just believe.



May the Lord Jesus give you faith when you are afraid, and peace when you are suffering. Amen. MARK 5:34,36





Share your highs and lows of the day or discuss some of the questions from the

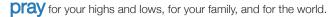


read and highlight a passage of scripture in your Bible. These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. Try to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passage.

Sunday	Mark 5:21-43	Jesus heals and raises to life
Monday	1 Kings 17:17-24	Elijah restores a dead child to life
Tuesday	2 Kings 20:1-11	God heals Hezekiah
Wednesday	Mark 9:14-27	Jesus heals a child
Thursday	Acts 9:32-42	Peter restores Tabitha to life
Friday	2 Corinthians 7:5-13	Grief leads to repentance
Saturday	Psalm 88	Prayer for restoration
Sunday	Mark 6:1-13	Jesus sends the Twelve



talk about how the Bible passage relates to your highs and lows or discuss some of the ideas in ROUNGY DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES.



bless one another using this week's blessing or make up your own.









I. Faith Talk

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Have you ever felt "stuck"? Have you ever thought "I don't know how I'm going to do this, or get through this"? Share about those times.
- Read the story of Jesus and Jairus in Mark 5:21-24, 35-43. What different feelings do you think Jairus had as these events took place?
- How has Jesus helped you when you have felt worried, sad or afraid?



2. Devotional Practices

July 1 (Wednesday) marks the beginning of the second half of 2015. In your home devotional time this week share your "highs" and "lows" from the first half of the year, and your hopes for the next six months. Read and discuss Lamentations 3:22-23 and talk about how it applies to the year so far and the months to come. Pray together for God's blessing upon your household for the remainder of 2015.



3. Service

The woman who touched Jesus' cloak and was healed was an outsider amongst her own people: her illness meant that others saw her as unclean and avoided her. Discuss together: "Who are the outsiders in our society and in our community, that is, the people that are often looked down upon or left out? Are there any people in our church who might feel this way sometimes?" Decide on one act of kindness that you, as a household, can do for someone who may be feeling left out in some way.



4. Rituals and Traditions

Touch is a very important God-given way of expressing love and care for others. In fact, science has shown that as humans we need the touch of others to stay healthy in body, mind and spirit. In your household prayer times this week, hold hands as you pray. Talk together about how you might use other forms of healthy and positive touch in your home e.g. hugs, high fives, or blessings.





