



# TAKING FAITH home

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PENTECOST 21B

THIS WEEK'S THEME:  
*Jesus gives us  
an example of service.*

## mealttime prayer

Lord, you fill each cup,  
you fill each plate. Help  
us your love to imitate.  
Amen.

## verse for the week

"The Son of Man did not  
come to be served, but to  
serve, and to give his life as  
a ransom for many."

MARK 10:45

## blessing

May you know the love  
of Jesus, your Saviour.  
May you grow in serving  
others, reflecting the  
heart of Christ. Amen.

## FAITH 5



**share** your highs and lows of the day or discuss some of the questions from the  
**FOURKEYS** Faith Talk.



**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 10:35-45	The Son of Man came to serve
Monday	Jeremiah 31:7-14	The Lord will ransom Jacob
Tuesday	Luke 22:7-27	The service of Christ
Wednesday	Galatians 5:13-26	Serve one another in love
Thursday	1 Peter 4:7-11	Use your gifts to serve others
Friday	1 Timothy 1:15-17, 2:1-6	Christ has ransomed us
Saturday	Psalms 55:1-8, 16-18	The Lord ransoms me
Sunday	Mark 10:46-52	Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus



**talk** about how the Bible passage relates to your highs and lows or discuss  
some of the ideas in **FOURKEYS** Devotional Practices.



**pray** for your highs and lows, for your family, and for the world.



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

# FOUR KEYS

for the Home



## 1. Faith Talk

Discuss in your household or small group:

- Share about a time when you felt important.
- Who is considered important in your town or city? Why?
- What makes someone great in God's kingdom? (read Mark 10:43-44).
- How did Jesus make himself the "slave of all"? In what ways can we follow his example?



## 2. Devotional Practices

Jesus told his disciples that following him would involve suffering (Mark 10:39).  
In your household devotion times this week, pray for Christians who are being  
persecuted for their faith. Visit the website [www.persecution.org](http://www.persecution.org) to read about  
specific people and situations in need of prayer.



## 3. Service

There are many in our churches and communities who serve God and others  
humbly and faithfully, without much recognition. Identify one such person you  
would like to honour. Send them a thank you card or prepare a small gift for them  
in recognition of their efforts.



## 4. Rituals and Traditions

Introduce into your home life the practice of recognising ways in which  
household members have served Christ through their words or actions,  
however large or small. This could take the form of a weekly or monthly  
gathering where Servant of Christ certificates are handed out to each  
household member, noting ways in which God has used them to show his  
love to others.



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