

26 November 2017

In serving those  
in need, we serve  
Jesus.



Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

FAITH



## share

Your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following question:

**Did God's word come alive for you today? In prayer, scripture, liturgy, music?**



## read

Daily Bible Readings

S	Matthew 25:31-46	The sheep and the goats
M	Acts 2:42-47, 4:32-35	Care given to the needy
T	Romans 12:13-21	Share with the needy
W	Isaiah 58:6-11	True fasting
T	James 2:14-17	Faith active in good works
F	Hebrews 13:1-3	Remember those in prison
S	Psalms 82	Defend the weak
S	Mark 13:24-37	The day and hour unknown



## talk

- Share about a time when you were in need and someone helped you.
- Share about a time when you were able to help someone who was hungry or thirsty, lonely, in prison, sick, or in need of clothes.
- Jesus tells us that when we help other Christians who are in need, we are also serving him (Matthew 25:40). In what ways have you been blessed through serving others?



## pray

The prayer for the week

**Lord Jesus, help us to serve you by serving others. Amen. (Matthew 25:40)**

And for your highs and lows, for your family and for the world.



## bless

Share this week's blessing (below) or make up your own.

**May God bless you with a servant heart to shine with Jesus' love. Amen.**

Last Sunday of the Church Year

The colour of the season is GREEN to remind us of growth, life and hope.

## creative response

**Spend some time together as a household this week recalling your church involvement during this past church year.**

Look at any photos, video footage or memorabilia you may have.

Discuss:

- What were the highlights?
- In what ways did you learn or grow?
- Who shared their faith with you?
- With whom did you share your faith?

To mark the start of the 2017-18 church year, take a photo of your household at your place of worship.

Place this photo on your fridge or a display board in your home.

As the year goes by, add other photos from your 2017-18 church experiences and involvements.

Sunday's after Pentecost represent 'time of the church' – During the season between Christmas and Lent, we focus on the work of the Church in the world, Jesus' message to us, and our growth in Christ.

## verse for the week

"The king will answer,  
'Whenever you did it for  
any of my people, no  
matter how unimportant  
they seemed, you did it  
for me.'"

MATTHEW 25:40

## mealtime prayer

Lord, in this world where many  
go hungry, we thank you for  
the food we share. Lord, in  
this world where many suffer,  
teach us how to love and care.  
Amen.

