



Growing FAITH at home

28 October 2018

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Caring Conversations



SHARE

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

What is something you want to do this week?

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How does that activity connect with your life of faith?

3

Talk about a time that God opened your eyes to something important, perhaps a time to take a risk or to see something new or different around you.



Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

S	Mark 10:46-52	Jesus heals blind Bartimaeus
M	Jeremiah 31:7-9	Joyful return of the exiles
T	Hebrews 7:23-28	Jesus' priesthood continues forever
W	2 Kings 6:8-23	God gives back sight to Arameans
T	Mark 8:22-26	Jesus heals at Bethsaida
F	Isaiah 42:1-9	The Servant, a light to the nations
S	Psalms 126	Harvest of joy
S	Mark 12:28-34	Love God and neighbour



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Dear Jesus, have mercy on me and help me to see you and follow you wherever you lead. Amen.



BLESS

May the Lord your God give you sight to see and believe in the one who has come to make you well.

Jesus helps and heals us.

Creative Response

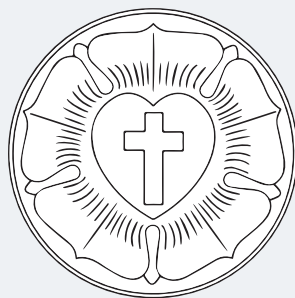
In celebration of Reformation this week (Wednesday 31st), make this **RED WEEK** in your home.

Decorate your home with red and enjoy red food and drink.

Reformation day is observed by many churches as a day to remember the reform that came to the Christian Church in the 1500s.

Look at the story of Martin Luther this week. Discover how he took a stand for the truth of the Gospel (YouTube has many great clips for all ages).

Give thanks to God for people who have influenced members of your household through their Christian witness.



mealtime prayer

God our saviour, we thank you for this food, a sign of your daily mercies and the power to heal our lives. Amen.

verse for the week
The Lord has done great things for us.
And we are filled with joy.

PSALM 126:3

Service



There are millions of people in the world who are blind.

Ninety percent of these people live in the world's poorest countries. One and a half million children in the world are blind, many due to a vitamin A deficiency.

Founded in 1908, Christian Blind Mission is an independent Christian development organisation devoted to improving the lives of people with disabilities in the poorest places in the world. They are dedicated to preventing and curing blindness and to educating and rehabilitating people who are blind or have other disabilities. Visit www.cmb.org to find out more and how you can support their work. Pray for them too.

