

# Bring New Life



**Monday**

**Prayer Leader:**

Seven days have passed since Easter Sunday.

One week after the very first Easter in Jerusalem, the disciples hadn't yet understood that Jesus had risen from the dead. They had shut themselves into a room because they were afraid that the people who crucified Jesus would come to find them!

To their amazement, they received a very different visitor.

Let's hear what happened:



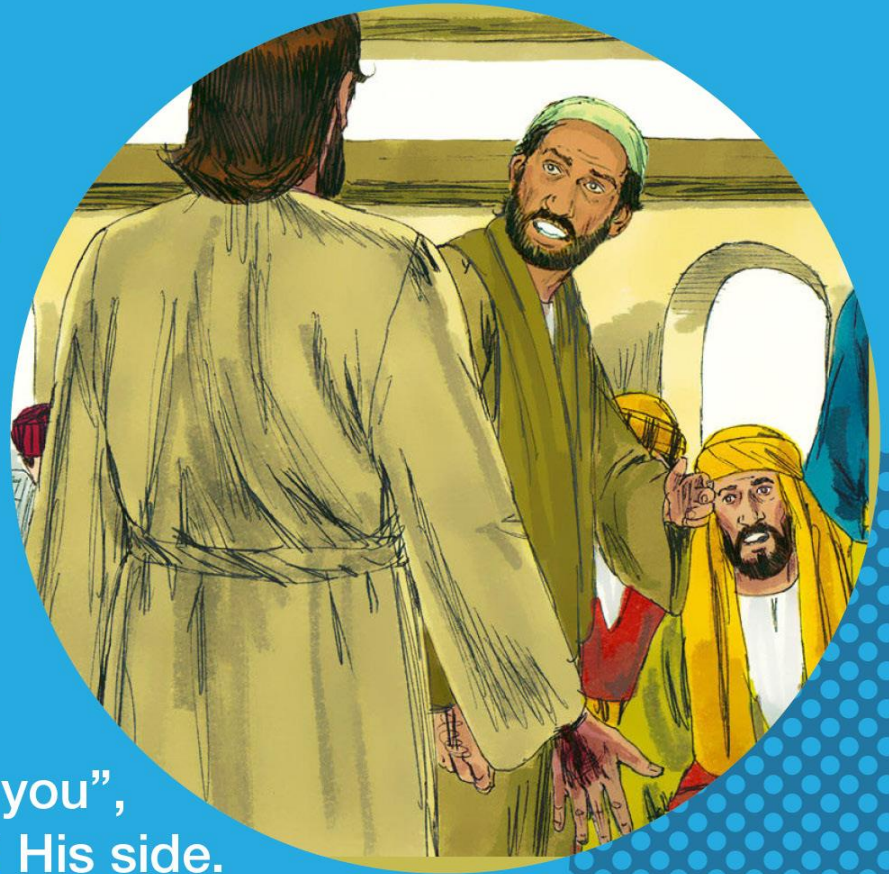
## Reader:

‘In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.

Jesus came and stood among them.

He said to them, “Peace be with you”, and showed them His hands and His side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord and He said to them again, “Peace be with you.””

*John 20: 19-21*



## Prayer Leader:

The disciples had locked the room – they were probably afraid and feeling that they had to keep out of the way of others. Into that very space, Jesus came to them.

No place or situation can keep out the love of Jesus. We don't have to go out to meet Him: He sees us and comes to meet us where we are.

We are never hidden from the love of God. He wants to be with us and bring us new life.



**Prayer Leader:**

Let's ask Jesus to come into our hearts.

Close your eyes and take three, slow breaths in and out, as you relax.

**All:**

**Jesus, I believe in your presence.  
Thank you for being with me here now.  
Help me to be there for others too.  
Amen**

