

# Bring New Life



**Wednesday**

**Prayer Leader:**

Yesterday we saw that Jesus brought new life to the disciples through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Let's see what happened next:



**Reader:**

“Jesus said: “Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.””

*John 20: 23-24*



## Prayer Leader:

Jesus wanted His disciples to continue living lovingly - the way He had showed them - even after He was no longer with them. He knew that this would not always be easy. The disciples had to learn new things and do many things for themselves that Jesus had helped them with in the past. Jesus showed them how important forgiveness would be in this new situation.



### *Can you think*

We too need to be able to forgive and be forgiven, many times each day. Forgiveness refreshes and renews our daily life.

Those who are still working out in our communities need to be especially patient and forgiving.

## **Prayer Leader:**

Let's ask the God the Father to forgive our sins and to help our brothers and sisters in the community work together with patience and understanding.

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

## **All:**

**Loving Father,  
Thank you for your gift of forgiveness  
which lets us start afresh and  
brings us new life.  
Amen**

