



# Growing **FAITH** at home

**29 March 2020**

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Jesus is the resurrection  
and the life.

## Caring Conversations

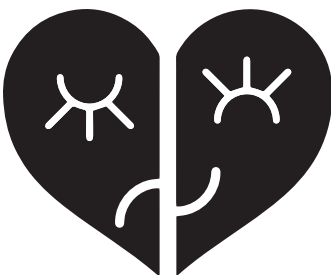
Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Mary and Martha were very sad because their brother Lazarus had died. What did Jesus say to comfort them? (Read John 11:23-25).

2

How do Jesus' words make you feel? Why?



## Devotions



### Daily Bible Readings

S	John 11:1-45	The raising of Lazarus
M	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Valley of dry bones
T	2 Kings 4:18-37	Elisha raises a dead child
W	Acts 20:7-12	Paul raises a young man
T	Matthew 9:18-19,23-25	Jesus raises a dead girl
F	Romans 8:6-11	The realm of the Spirit
S	Psalms 130	A song of ascents
S	Matthew 21:1-11	Jesus enters Jerusalem

Discuss the bible reading. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

## Rituals and Traditions



### PRAYER

Lord Jesus, we believe you are the Christ, the Son of God. Thank you for the promise of life forever with you. Amen.

### BLESSING

May the Spirit of God live in you and fill you with new life.

## Lent

**VIOLET (or Purple)** is the colour of royalty, repentance, and self-discipline and is the traditional colour for the season of Lent. This deep rich colour represents a time of penitence and prayer.

## Creative Response

When Jesus was confronted with Mary and Martha's grief, he also wept (John 11:35).

In your home devotion times this week, make a point of praying for people who are experiencing times of sadness e.g. those who are sick or who have recently had a friend or loved one die.



### mealtime prayer

Lord God, through this food you give us life for today, and through your son you give us life forever. Amen.

verse for the week

I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will have life even if they die. And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

JOHN 11:25-26

## Service



Make up a bouquet of flowers for someone who has recently lost a loved one. Deliver it yourself or ask your pastor to deliver it for you.

