Second Sunday of Easter
Cycle C

Prayer:
Dear Jesus, help us to love others as you love us.

Readings:
Acts 5: 12-16, Psalm 118: 2 and 4, 13-14, John 20: 19-29

Reflection/Discussion:
Have you ever been afraid of someone?
Has anyone ever made fun of you or call you names?
Did anyone come to your rescue and help you when this happened?
What do you think you would do if Jesus was to appear in front of you?
Could you for give and also ask Jesus to forgive the people who picked on you and called you names?
If yes, Why? — If not, Why?

After Jesus was put to death the disciples were sad and worried, they knew that they wanted to continue living as Jesus taught them and to carry on His work of teaching others about God. They knew they had a big job on their hands and gathered together to pray and talk about what to do. They also knew that they were in danger because they were followers of Jesus.

1. Why were the disciples so afraid that they locked their selves in a room to hide?
2. Jesus had told them that he would always be with them so why did the fear the Jewish leaders?
3. The Jewish Leaders hated Jesus and the disciples, why do you think they would hate some one that was so good and that we love?
4. Jesus told Thomas to put his finger into the holes in His hands and His side, why?
5. What would do if Jesus asked you to do the same thing?
6. Jesus told Thomas that the ones who are blessed are those who believe without seeing; do you love Jesus and do you believe?

Activity:
With a paper and pencil make a drawing of the disciples praying in the room where Jesus appeared to them.

Make a drawing of yourself in prayer asking Jesus to forgive you of your sins and telling Him that you love Him.

Take a pencil and write a short prayer thanking Jesus for all the love He has given you.