Easter: 6th Sunday of Easter
Sunday May 9, 2021

Lead Story Headline:
I Love You Just As God Loves Me

"...the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word"
Acts 10:44

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Gospel: John 15:9-14

"Jesus said to his disciples, 'I love you just as God loves me. Live always in my love. If you keep my commandments, you are living in my love. I am telling you this so that you may be completely filled with my joy. This is my commandment: love one another just as I have loved you. There is no greater love than to give your life for your friends. And you are my friends if you do what I tell you. The commandment I am giving you is this: love one another.'"

This is the Good News of the Lord.


Brainstorm:

Why do you think that people lie?
How is it possible that one lie can lead to other sins? How can we stop ourselves from lying or committing other sins?


What Do You Think?

1. What gift will you give God in response to God's gift of his Son to us?
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2. In what ways can you show love to your family and friends?
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Activity: Disciples

In today’s Gospel, John 15:15, Jesus explains that he no longer calls the disciples “slaves” - those who don’t know what the master is doing. Use this phone to find out what Jesus called them instead!


"Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God"

1 John 4:7
Kingdom Builders: Living the Beatitudes

Have you heard of the Beatitudes? The Beatitudes show us how to live the blessed, beautiful life that God wants for us all. Living out the Beatitudes helps us to see things in a different way - a good, holy and happy way. Jesus sat on a mountain to preach to all the people who would listen, and this is where we first learned about the Beatitudes - this is called the Sermon on the Mount.

Check out the picture below to see what the Beatitudes are!


In a nutshell, the Beatitudes are telling us the following messages: be yourself, be all for God, you are beloved by God, being meek (not hurting others back when they have hurt us) is being strong, always be ready to help others, be the one who forgives, beware of junk and trash, prayer before action, become like the saints, and live a better way! That is a lot for us to do, isn't it? But we are taught that if we can live by the Beatitudes, we will be much happier and holier in life! These are things that you can do in your everyday life! Make a list of the Beatitudes if that is helpful for you and remind yourself to live the way that Jesus asks of us!