

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

## **Family Pack**

• Pray Together:

Father God we thank you that we are welcome in your Kingdom and can freely hear and study your word. We pray that our eyes, hearts and ears are open to what you want us to understand today and that we will have the strength to do all you ask of us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

- Jesus anointing video
- Read Luke 7:36-50

Luke 7:36-50 New Century Version (NCV)

## A Woman Washes Jesus' Feet

<sup>36</sup>One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, so Jesus went into the Pharisee's house and sat at the table. <sup>37</sup>A sinful woman in the town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house. So she brought an alabaster jar of perfume <sup>38</sup> and stood behind Jesus at his feet, crying. She began to wash his feet with her tears, and she dried them with her hair, kissing them many times and rubbing them with the perfume. <sup>39</sup>When the Pharisee who asked Jesus to come to his house saw this, he thought to himself, "If Jesus were a prophet, he would know that the woman touching him is a sinner!"

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<sup>4</sup> Jesus said to the Pharisee, "Simon, I have something to say to you."Simon said, "Teacher, tell me."

<sup>41</sup>Jesus said, "Two people owed money to the same banker. One owed five hundred coins<sup>III</sup> and the other owed fifty. <sup>42</sup>They had no money to pay what they owed, but the banker told both of them they did not have to pay him. Which person will love the banker more?"

<sup>43</sup>Simon, the Pharisee, answered, "I think it would be the one who owed him the most money."

Jesus said to Simon, "You are right." <sup>44</sup> Then Jesus turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? When I came into your house, you gave me no water for my feet, but she washed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You gave me no kiss of greeting, but she has been kissing my feet since I came in. <sup>46</sup> You did not put oil on my head, but she poured perfume on my feet. <sup>47</sup> I tell you that her many sins are forgiven, so she showed great love. But the person who is forgiven only a little will love only a little."

<sup>48</sup>Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

<sup>49</sup>The people sitting at the table began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup>Jesus said to the woman, "Because you believed, you are saved from your sins. Go in peace."

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- What do you think about this story?
- Why did the woman do this to Jesus?
- Do you think she was right to do this or could she have done something different?
- What would you do to show someone you care or them and appreciate what they do for you?

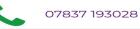
The woman in the story knew she didn't always do the right thing and she wanted to say sorry. She tried to do something for Jesus to show him how much she appreciated him and to thank him for all that he had done for her.

- During this time when we are all feeling a little uncertain let us say sorry to God when we do the wrong thing, thank him for all that he has done for us and try to remember all that is good in our lives.
- If you would like to you could sing and do the sign language actions for the song wonderful lord that can be found at: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=je66ti1DQRk&list=PL-</u> <u>00qusnTbxatMI-Ct1xkjdnt0o9jfSzH</u>

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**Coronavirus Prayer** 

You could use this prayer to pray for our communities in these difficult times:

Father we thank you for your churches in Cambuslang and Rutherglen. We pray for our friends and those who we know less well. Help them to know your presence just now.

We pray for our communities. We commit to you those who are vulnerable and those who feel vulnerable. Help us to look out for one another. Be with those whose positions are key in the community just now – those who work in the NHS, who serve in our shops, who are carers for the elderly and many others with unheralded but vital tasks. Be with those who are fearful for the future of their business.

We pray for our nation. Be with our First Minister and with politicians who have particularly heavy responsibilities. Help those who have leadership responsibilities of any sort.

We pray for the world. We pray particularly for nations who do not enjoy the infrastructure and privileges we take for granted in dealing with the Coronavirus.

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Lord we believe you are in control. We dare to trust you in uncertain times. Make us willing to listen to you too. Help us to hear what you are saying to us as individuals and as part of your world.

Lord have mercy on us all we pray. Where we need to repent make us willing to do so. Where we need to trust make us more dependent on You.

We pray this in the name of Jesus – the one who loves us and gave Himself for us. Amen

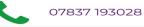
- As today is mother's day why not do something for your mum or whoever looks after you at home.
  - 1. You could write a poem or draw a picture to make them smile today
  - 2. Try to think of one thing you could do for your mum or someone in your house every day this week. This could be something like, tidying your bedroom or doing the dishes or something else to help around the house.

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