Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

After his resurrection Jesus appeared twice to his disciples in a locked room. Cross out the speech bubbles that do not tell what he said during these visits. You can read the story in your Bible at John 20:19–31.

- Receive the Holy Spirit.
- Do not be unbelieving, but believe.
- Try to find some peace.
- You're on your own.
- Peace be with you.
- See my hands.
- It's O.K. if you don't believe.
Acts 2:42–47 tells us how the believers lived. They took care of each other. Decide which of the letters will complete this sentence about them. Write that letter in the blanks.

They sold what they had, then shared what was made.
DIVINE MERCY

Today’s first reading (Acts 2:42–47) presents a beautiful account of life among the early followers of Jesus, the people known as Christians. This list of the things they did showed people that they were continuing the work of Jesus. Next to these descriptions from the Acts of the Apostles, write how you continue that work today.

• They gathered for the breaking of the bread.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]

• They prayed together.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]

• They offered what they owned to help those in need.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]

• They lived their lives praising God.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]

This second Sunday of Easter is also called Divine Mercy Sunday. One of the most important characteristics of a Christian is the ability to forgive. Jesus even forgave those who put him on the cross. He told his followers that they must do the same. Jesus also forgives us when we find it too hard to do what he asks.

• The early Christians forgave one another.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]

• The early Christians were not afraid to ask forgiveness. They knew that Jesus was full of mercy.
  \[I \text{ do the same when I } \text{___________________________}\]
Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

John 20:19
GOD’S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

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*Jesus appeared to His disciples and said, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”*
*Then Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”*

1 Pt 1:3-9  Jn 20:19-31

Directions: Put the following words in alphabetical order.

PEACE  DISCIPLES  FATHER  
JESUS  HOLY  SPIRIT

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 
6. 

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"I Can’t Believe It!"

Directions:
1. In a small bowl, mix \( \frac{1}{4} \) cup water with 1 tablespoon of baking soda.
2. Place the bowl inside a larger bowl.
3. What do you think will happen if you add \( \frac{1}{4} \) cup vinegar to the mixture. Why do you think that?
4. Add the vinegar.
   *What happened?
   *Were you right?
   *Why do you think it happened?
Thomas did not believe that Jesus was risen until he saw Jesus with his own eyes.

Directions: Use your eyes to find the hidden pictures below.