Week Six: Giving

Key verses: Psalm 31:14-16

Supplies

Option 1 for greeting cards and goody bags: construction paper, markers or crayons, envelopes for greeting cards, wrapped treats or baked goods, plastic bag or container

Option 2 for being helpful: none

Read

"But me? I trust you, Lord! I affirm, "You are my God." My future is in your hands. Don't hand me over to my enemies, to all who are out to get me! Shine your face on your servant; save me by your faithful love!" Psalm 31:14-16

Respond

Option 1:

Create greeting cards or goody bags. For goody bags purchase wrapped treats or bake a goody, place items in a plastic bag or container and include a note. In the greeting card or note include phrases like, "God, shine your face on your servant [filling in their name]" or "God's love is a faithful love." Cards or notes can be signed or anonymous. Leave items at a neighbor's door without telling them you are coming. Make more than one, if desired. Text or call later to make sure they found it.

Option 2:

Consider or discuss what the face of a servant looks like. During the week quietly do something helpful (servant-like) for someone in your household or neighborhood.

Pray

God of all times and all places. God of sight, taste, sound, touch, smell, and service. Grant us your grace in this season of Lent as we ready our hearts and bodies to remember Christ's sacrifice and anticipate the celebration of Christ's resurrection. Provide us with better understanding of new life and unity. Bring us into deeper relationships and greater community, springing from the joy and hope that comes from an intentional walk with Christ. Amen.