**Sixth Week:**

**The Challenge to Love As Jesus Loves**

**Scripture**

John 15: 9-17: “Love One Another”

**Symbol**

A heart

**Reflection**

Today’s Gospel is a love letter from God. Jesus isn’t speaking to underlings or servants. We have been chosen by God. Jesus loved us so much that he laid down his life for his friends. Jesus gives us a new commandment: “Love one another as I have loved you.” The love of God cannot be contained. It must be shared.

**Your challenge this week**

Carry your felt heart in your pocket through each day. Let it remind you to look for ways to “love one another.” Make a special effort to consider those who sometimes seem unlovable to you.

**Journal Questions**

1. How does it make you feel when Jesus says, “I call you friends?”

2. Why is it hard sometimes to love as Jesus asks us to love?

**Alternative**

Search through the Gospels for other Scripture passages that show the love of Jesus for us. Share one of those passages with a loved one.