



ALL-AGE ACTIVITIES

These all-age ideas can be used flexibly in your service, whether as part of an all-age service, an introduction to the theme, part of the Sunday School activities or a messy church setting.

Craft ideas

- Make a paperchain. Give everybody their own piece of the chain. You might want to ask them to write their name, something special about them or a gift they have and connect the chains together with the whole group to mark how you are all different yet all welcome and connected.

Items needed - Enough paperchain lopes for everyone. Pens, stapler / tape to connect them.

- Make a collage of people's handprints, using a variety of colours and hopefully sizes to show all our welcome. You could do this by painting on hands, or drawing around hands on coloured paper and a sticking them on a large piece of paper or fabric. You might want to write "Gathered in my Name" in the middle. People may like to write something on their hand, or you might want to leave them blank.

Items needed - Large paper / fabric, coloured paper and scissors, or paint, sponges or brushes and wipes

- Create an invite to a future event to welcome someone.

Items needed - Paper for invites, pens, possibly stickers, envelopes.

- Make people paper chains for prayer activity. (see Below)

Prayer activities

Prayers for self and neighbours

- Paper chains of three people. Decorate the three people, one to be myself, the second, people close to me, and the third my neighbours all over the world., connect the hands of the two outside people to create a triangle. Collectively pray for each of the people in turn

Items needed - Paper, scissors, pens / crayons, you might want a person outline for some members of the group.

Prayers for students across the world.

- Draw around someone on big paper. Invite everyone to write prayers for students across the world, and that they find welcoming communities to grow in. (Links to story from...)

Items needed - Big paper, pens, possibly post-its.

