

Ideas for Creating Intergenerational Worship that builds Community during Physical Separation

Connect with the Community

Create a Shared Experience

Build Fellowship

Keep it Simple

• Join in with some of the things already started and going on in the local community. Pause and spend time listening to the community. Link with local events that would have been happening, address particular local concerns or worries.

•For example there has been an idea on social media to draw a rainbow and put it in the window - if this has happened in your community you can comment on that or suggest it as an activity and make a simple link with Noah, who saw a Rainbow at the end of the flood and since then it has been a symbol of God being with us and not abandoning us. See Thought of the Week 30/4/20

• Think who the children may be spending time with in their homes and who they may chat on-line with; give them ideas of things they could do with each of these groups. Keep it simple so that all can join in

For example maybe asking a grandparent to read them a bible story or something that they and a friend could make and show each other. Include a few 'I wonder' questions that children could answer and be encouraged to ask their carers.

- Helping people to know that they are togther in their worship across households can reduce isolation and create a sense of fellowship.
- •For Example provide a simple biscuit recipe so people across the community can 'eat together' or make a suggestion of a simple colourful activity that can be displayed in a window so others can see it; lighting a candle; sharing a prayer of the week by email/social media/a sheet in the church porch.
- •There is plenty to organise and adjust to at the moment, so you don't need to create everything from scratch. If you have a normal model of worship, where possible, use this as a start so it is familiar, but simplify it where necessary.
- Many organisations are developing resources to use at home, ones we would particularly recommend are shared on the accompanying resource sheet and will be added to on the diocesan website. Do send us yours! by email to emma.waters@salisbury.anglican.org
- •Use spiritual practices that don't require resources - for example Ignatian Spirituality where you invite people to place themselves in the story as one of the characters or perhaps as a bystander and imagine what you see, hear smell and feel.



Guidance to Help you Create Worship for Households - March 2020

Many organisations that normally provide resources are creating materials specifically in response to the Covid-19 'social distancing' situation. Below are some links to resources and activities that you may look to incorporate into worship that you are planning and sharing with your communities - either in your parish role or school leader role.



recently used video shared on YouTube. Thank you very much to them for sharing!

Youtube	The Easter Story – read for Rushall School by a member of staff
	and shared on Twitter
Youtube	Rev. Tessa Mann – Winsley School worship - private to school
Youtube	Rev. Jenny – Coombe Bissett School reflection - private to school
Youtube	4x @10 minute worship videos about the events of Holy Week
Facebook	Youtube/Facebook - Rev. Philip, Team Rector of the Avon River
	Team



Finally, please send links to your work with schools/families via <u>emma.waters@salisbury.anglican.org</u> or <u>SDBE_Update</u> (Twitter).

The Diocese of Salisbury team are also gathering examples of ways that parishes are responding to keeping 'church' alive whilst church buildings are closed and you can read some <u>here</u> and click on a form to share your ideas.

Thank you for all you are doing! With very best wishes from

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