

Health + Care Sunday: All-age prayer ideas

Here is an example of one way Health and Care Sunday might be part of an all-age segment of your church service.

Resources needed:

- Three items of children's medical kit and if possible the real world equivalents
- Three short prayers
- Health and Care Sunday slide

You could explore asking three people including children/young people to pray and either give those praying the area to pray into and then allow freedom to pray within that, or they could write a short prayer they can read out.

Outline:

Introduction

Today we are celebrating Health and Care Sunday. We want to take the opportunity to particularly pray for and encourage all those working in health and social care in our community as well as for health and social care services. On the screen are some of the organisations which support Christians working in health and social care - if that's you please do check them out.

Introduce the items and areas for prayer and then briefly pray for the three areas. Consider asking those who work in health and social care to stand while being prayed for.

Close with a brief summing up prayer including praying for those standing and those joining your service online who work in health and social care.

Thank those who prayed and all those who work in health and social care.

Possible items and areas to pray for

- **Stethoscope** (which can be used to listen to someone's heart sounds). **Pray** that those working in Health and Social care would listen for and be motivated by God's heart for those they care for.
- Blood pressure machine (Sphygmomanometer used to measure someone's blood pressure). Pray for those working in health and social care and also for patients and their families experiencing a health service under pressure.
- Bandage (which can be used as part of treating injuries). Pray that those working in health and social care would be God's hands and feet using their skills and words to bring healing, comfort, and hope to those who are ill and are struggling.
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- **Otoscope** (which can be used to look in someone's ears). **Pray** that those working in health and social care would look and see their patients and those they work with as created and loved by God, and that they would be looking to see what God is doing and how they can care for their patients and their families.