## QuickSheets Fast and fabulous ideas for ministry



## **Peace Cards**

**Ideas and Activities** 

The <u>Presbyterian Peacemaking Program</u> has created Peace Cards for the Season of Peace. However, these can be used by children, youth, adults, and households anytime during the year or with small groups in faith community settings. <u>Each card contains a reflection, prayer and action item</u>. These cards also tie in well with Mr. Rogers Day Recognition each March 20 and Mr. Rogers commitment community, peacemaking, kindness and family.

You can order sets of cards from the PCUSA Store <u>here</u>. Or contact PDS 1-800- 533-4371 for PDS #24358-20-015.



## With Households

- Provide a set of cards to households to take home (in Advent, Lent, or Summer at home Formation Kits).
- Provide a set of cards to families tied to your congregation's preschool, after school program or outreach partners.
- Suggest households read and reflect on a card each morning at breakfast during the Season of Peace in October, around Mr. Roger's Day or for Lent.
- Incorporate a set of cards into an Advent Daily Practice when lighting an Advent Wreath each day and provide supplies for a small advent wreath and home worship space items.
- Suggest families keep the cards in the car and use them for conversation when on a road trip.

## With Small Groups or in Congregational Settings

- Place on the table for conversation at Intergenerational Fellowship and meal gathering. (This would be great to include if doing an event for Mr. Rogers Day.)
- Choose cards for small groups to reflect on as a part of a Neighboring Sunday Celebration. (See Neighboring Sunday Quicksheet.
- Use a card for an icebreaker at Bible Study, Youth Group, a Small Group. Prepare ahead to have supplies for the suggested "Action" on the card.
- Choose all the cards from a specific focus area: Environment, Family, Community, World, Church, or Personal for a particular event.
- Take the cards on a mission trip and use for conversations starters in the car/van or during reflection time.
- Choose cards to use in opening of Children or Youth Sunday School to be a part of gathering worship and prayer time. Perhaps specifically during the Season of Peace leading up to World Communion Sunday or for the season of Advent or Lent.

- Provide cards to retreat participants either on a table at a meal for conversation or as part of morning or evening devotions.
- Use the cards as part of prayer and reflection for a camp on the theme of peacemaking or Mr. Rogers or for cabin time.
- A card could be placed in each bulletin or a pew for conversation in Sunday worship or to take home. On World Communion Sunday, for example, pull out all the ones from the World category.
- Choose some cards to include as part of spirituality center.

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