

Notes on services

Be aware that you'll need time in advance to prepare the props each time.

Service on Prayer

Sheets of Lord's prayer for the children to colour, felt tips

I used various hymns based on 'Bible/psalms' passages.

Also used the acronym ACTS as examples of prayer, Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving and Supplication, so we started with a hymn of praise. We used 454, Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me, as a confessional and at the end of the service, Thank you Lord for this new day, for our Thanksgiving hymn

Supplication, using part of the Lord's prayer, praying for God's will, praying for our needs(give us this day our daily bread) , our families and enemies(forgive us as we forgive those who sin against us) and ourselves.

The reading was dramatised and quite a long reading but I had emailed the children so they could practise and St John's has a microphone so the children could be heard. Previously I have used the reading from Samuel where Hannah prays for a son, but as I have children and also several childless couples in a congregation I am not happy using this reading.

I do not know if there is a copyright on the skit as I have had it 30 years and adapt it as it suits me. God is the bold type and the petitioner ordinary type.

I have used the skit with the children sitting and I have used it with the children colouring. I printed sheets of the Lord's prayer from the internet.