Responding together

This is an opportunity for a social justice challenge, some research, craftivism, or a craft or STEM activity. You may have a specific activity chosen but free choice is also an option. Here are some suggestions for this week's theme. See Faith Adventures: Children Together for a craft and a STEM activity which may also be appropriate. Choose whatever will work best for your group.

Bug hotel

We may say that all are welcome, yet our society damages the habitat for so many of God's creatures. Let's try and redress the balance a little by making a bug hotel. They don't need to be as fancy as the ones in the picture, as long as they create the right environment for the mini-beasts and insects that need a home.

You could make a frame with wood, or use an old wooden box or crate, even a stack of pallets if you have space in your church grounds. Or, if space is limited, use a smaller box to fill. You will need lots of natural bits and pieces – bamboo cane, pine cones, leaves, twigs, stones, sticks, pieces of wood that you can drill holes into – whatever you can gather. This project can be as big or small as you have capacity and enthusiasm for. Build it wisely – we don't want any cuts or splinters – and if you're putting something in the church grounds, make sure you have asked permission first.

Research: All are welcome in this place

Explore your church building, especially looking at things like noticeboards, signage and accessibility. How welcoming a 'house' is it? Would anyone feel unwelcome here? What about God? What are the signs that God is in the building?

Challenge:

Discipleship doesn't stop when you walk out of the church door – it is a part of everyday life. Take a challenge with you and try to make it par003A004B0044>�0�0003}TJET�3.304 237�9�734 47�48 reW*nBT3(is i)20(n)-3( )18(7�8