

Offline Ministry Ideas for Christian Education

Hi educators! I hope that you have been able to enjoy some of this refreshing weather lately. I just attended a webinar on "Offline Ministry Ideas" from Lifelong Learning at the Virginia Theological Seminary and thought that I would share some of the ideas:

- Themed car parades (back to school, meeting new staff, pet blessing)
- Mailing/Delivering to homes packets to set up worship space at home, or craft materials, or activity boxes, or a booklet of spiritual practices
- Having people write prayers on ribbons and tie them to the church handrails/fences/pillars (materials put in a real estate flier box outside church)
 - Connect through handwritten notes - for little ones include stickers; have youth write to children, or youth write to older adults, or older adults write to children; engage volunteers; do chain mails
- Have children draw pictures of something during worship and post them on FB
- Virtual Talent Show and/or Art Show
- Collaborative art project - families come to church at scheduled time OR send supplies home and put together
- Halloween ideas - CARnival where kids can drive up and play a game from their car; drive through trunk or treat with candy at the end; Trek or Treat - <https://www.tumbuh.org/trek-or-treat-digital-planning-packet/?fbclid=IwAR1fEOBbstJbPLEvAHFRjmKy7ox6ohvp0GpHjw21hKhgDaNha6Y6wESE-7U>

Lifelong Learning has more events coming up, including schools and churches working together and Advent/Christmas ideas. <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/virginia-theological-seminary-16854271784>

How can the presbytery support you in your ministry??? Please let us know! Please share ideas that YOU have with Kathi Bubb at kathibubb@gmail.com.