PCC Accessible Church Checklist

When it comes to making our churches accessible it is often hard to know where to start. Below is a checklist to start you off. These are all easy things to implement that will make your church more accessible.

YES / NO

1. Are all of your presentations and printed literature dyslexia friendly with large print options available? ☐ ☐

2. Is the information on your website (or A Church Near You) up to date and does it detail; parking facilities, access into and around the building, toilet facilities, children's provision, service length, service style and some contact details for people to get in touch with any queries? You could consider having the disability advisor come to do an access audit for you. ☐ ☐

3. Are all the videos you show subtitled? In your services and midweek groups. ☐ ☐

4. Do you have a hearing loop that is in full working order and on for every service? ☐ ☐

5. Are disabled people and their households included in discussions / planning / decisions about services, mid week groups and events? This could be formally or informally. ☐ ☐

6. Do you have sermon cards available for people to use if they so wish? ☐ ☐

7. Are you able to incorporate movement breaks into your service somehow? ☐ ☐

8. Do you have some fiddle toys and/or ear defenders available for people to use if they wish? ☐ ☐

9. Do you have a culture of welcome and belonging? This may be harder to answer but is really important to think about. The welcome someone receives, the contact midweek, seeing themselves represented up the front and in the leadership/PCC, being able to go to midweek things, to peoples homes for food and more. ☐ ☐

10. Can you appoint a disability champion within your congregation / PCC to advocate alongside disabled people and to be in regular contact with the diocesan disability advisor? ☐ ☐

If you'd like more assistance or a further conversation about any of the above or further accessibility in your setting then do get in touch:
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