

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

—Romans 12:4-5



Did you know that simply providing options makes your church more equipped to be a place of belonging for people with disabilities? Here are a few ideas:

- Incorporate flags, ribbons, instruments, or sign language during singing.
- Share visual examples along with spoken ones.
- Provide a variety of seating options including tall chairs, chairs with arms, and swivel chairs.
- Provide options of different places where someone who uses a wheelchair or walker can sit, keeping in mind what they can (and cannot) see when people stand.
- Share bulletins and other announcements online and in print. Don't forget to print all or some of them in Large Print (at least 14pt) and use a Sans Serif font proven to be more accessible for people with dyslexia.
- Offer hybrid worship services, adult education, and congregational meetings.
- Activate closed captioning when showing videos and using online conferencing apps



Belonging doesn't just happen. Encourage your church to participate in Thrive's Disability and Accessibility Survey to learn how your congregation can be a place where everyone belongs and everyone serves: tinyurl.com/4wtycszu

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