For many people with disabilities, church is one of the least accessible places they go. What would it be like for people with disabilities if their church were truly accessible and welcoming?



Churches can become accessible one small step at a time. Check out crcna.org/accessiblechurch or rca.org/accessiblechurch for resources such as an accessibility audit and church member survey that will help your church take the next step toward becoming a fully accessible church.



As a person with a disability going into an accessible church, I can be confident that . . .

When I advocate for myself or ask for an accommodation, people will listen and act, instead of dismissing my needs as not being a priority.

I won't be asked to find another church or not return because of my disability, a family member's disability, or disruptive behavior.

My gifts and contributions are welcomed and affirmed, and I am expected to participate and serve along with others.

I am assured there is a plan for my escape in the event of a fire.

I am encouraged to attend Sunday school, youth programs, small groups or adult education, and will have individualized support or accommodations if I need them.

Strangers do not steer clear of me because of the way I walk, communicate, or look.

To read the list of 30 indicators of an anti-ableist, fully accessible church, check out: rca.org/accessiblechurch or crcna.org/accessiblechurch