Inclusion Toolbox for persons with ASD: Communicating without opening your mouth

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Friendship Ministries
Welcome!

Would you please serve as my translators today?
A Place to Begin

God’s Puzzle Pieces
Prepare a plan for the individual and prepare a plan for the “others”
For the individual:
Get to know the individual
Jump into that person’s shoes and test run the activities
Make and share the plan
“Worship”

- Vertical Habits

- Help Me

- Thank You

- I’m Sorry

- Bless You

- Why?

- I’m Listening
Love You (Praise)

“Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.” –Psalm 150:6
Sorry (Confession)

- Sorry
- I forgive you
- Expectations for behavior
I’m Listening (Prayer for illumination)

- Multi-Sensory
- BIG IDEA
- Adapted Curriculum
- Friendship Ministries Curriculum
Additional Ideas for Worship Settings

- Picture bank
- Story stick
- Story Apron
- Speech Button

- Watch your language!

- Wall wording:
  - “Singing usually at 10:00”
Additional Ideas for Worship Settings

Let worship have “Green” time!
Some stories and strategies

Offering
Creative greeting time
Red cloth
Be the story
Transitions/Changes in Schedule

Visual schedules for individuals

Singing

Story Time (Reading)

Play time
Transitions/Changes in Schedule

- First......Then

Lesson

Snack Break
Transitions/Changes in Schedule

- Binder Schedule
  
  Same Day, Different Day
Give advanced preparation and warning.
Time Timers
Create Transition Routines
Carry an Object
New Environment

- Introduce the environment by:
  - Visiting when it’s empty
  - Visiting when a limited number of people are there
  - Be the first to arrive
  - Pair with a preferred activity
Church Welcome Story

The Church Welcome Story is available from the CLC Network website at www.clcnetwork.org
My name is Evelyn and I want to tell you about where I worship.
Church Welcome Story

Here is where I worship.
It is called Lakeshore Vineyard Church.
Sometimes I stay with my family for worship, and sometimes I go to a room for class. Here is a picture of the room where I can be with my friends.
Church Welcome Story

Here is where I worship.
It is called Beth Elohim Synagogue.
Sometimes I stay with my family during worship and sometimes I go to a room for a children’s Shabbat Worship Service. Here is a picture of the room where I can be with my friends.
For the others:
Remember the puzzle piece perspective
A Plan for the Peers

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Final Remarks

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- Stay tuned for the upcoming book from Barbara Newman