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## Helpful Hints



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## -CWS MOTHER'S DAY BLANKETS-

Flowers, warmer weather, sunshine - there's something special about Mother's Day. And if your congregation is hosting a Blanket Sunday this season, there are so many things you can do to get into the spring spirit! Here are a few of my favorite Mother's Day Blanket ideas that will engage all ages while raising more money to keep our neighbors covered throughout the year:

"Why do you support CWS Blankets?" Ask this to the members of your congregation especially children! - and take Videos of their responses. Share the combined Video responses during a worship service!

Share festive blessings through our printable flowers available at cwsblankets.org/downloads. Children can decorate and write on them to share how they want to bless others through your Blanket Sunday. Display these all around your church!

Moms are awesome! Let's celebrate the moms in our lives by giving a flower (carnations are nice) to anyone at church who has a mom. Since we all have a mom, everyone in the church will leave the service with a flower honoring their awesome mom. Encourage children and youth to donate change they earn or find. Hunting for change around the house (tip: have them search in couch cushions!) will preoccupy kids and give parents a quick break. During the next church service, they can bring the change to donate to your Blankets ministry!

Introduce "Muffins with Moms" for Mother's Day. Invite moms and their families to celebrate her special day with muffins or cookies. You can package sweet treats in individual bags ahead of time to give out. If your church is meeting virtually, host a drive-through celebration.

Encourage members of your congregation to share our Mother's Day-themed graphics on their social media page. They can also share the link to the congregation's virtual offering page. It's a great way to spread the word and raise funds for CWS Blankets! Whether your congregation is worshipping in person or Virtually, your church can add its own Blankets offering page. You can quickly and easily share a link so anyone can give online. Just register your congregation at cwsblankets.org/Virtual and we'll do the rest!

