

How do you plan to celebrate and promote Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday this year (March 1)?

Announcements.

1. Hand out, to each person, a description of the ERD disaster areas in the US and around the world; a Gift For Life pamphlet; donation envelope/box
2. Explain the meaning and importance of ERD Sunday and encourage our congregation/vestry to donate what they can annually.
3. Display an annual tri-poster bulletin board with ERD information, pamphlets and donation boxes for year round availability and to share with family and friends.
4. Ask that all ERD Sunday cash be donated toward a program of the congregation's choice.
5. Display a donation box next to the Guest book and turn the cash in to ERD at the end of the year.
6. Explain the importance of Disaster Preparedness.
7. As part of the tri-poster bulletin board, one section will display and make available:
 - current US and World disaster areas with their specific needs
 - a copy of our parishes Preparedness Plan
 - a wallet sized list of items needed for disasters, specific to our area
 - on ERD Sunday, a hand out with a list of disaster preparedness items
8. As part of the tri-poster bulletin board, one section will also explain and give resources pertaining to the Asset Map.

Announcements in parish bulletin.

Bulletin insert and special offering

It will incorporated into the sermon by our diaconate candidate, Lenten Meditation booklets are being distributed to the congregation, There will be announcements in

the weekly newsletter promoting Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday. A poster board display promoting Thousand Days of Love. A offering will be collected on Mar 1. Just as we do every Sunday of the year..pass the basket for \$1 for ERD

Bulletin Inserts

We give our Lenten Meditations and ERD coin boxes and envelopes during Lent. We have an ingathering on a Sunday. We put up posters and use bulletin inserts for special offerings.

ERD is where we direct annual appeals that come along for earthquakes, fires, floods, etc.

We will be celebrating Episcopal Relief & Development Sunday on March 22 since we are having Bishop Marty here for her annual visitation on March 1. We like to space out the askings we make to the congregation, so that will give some space from the special offering given to the bishop's discretionary fund. I have ordered the Lenten meditation booklets which I will have available starting on the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. We'll use the ERD bulletin insert and envelopes in the Sunday bulletins on ERD Sunday, and I plan to use one of the suggested Prayers of the People in the liturgy that day.

I will mention it during Sunday service.