

# Special Needs Awareness Sunday

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## What Is Special Needs?

A broad term used to describe various conditions that may impact a person's ability to function in daily life and/or in certain circumstances.

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## What Is Special Needs?

- Neurological
- Physical
- Medical
- Emotional
- Mental
- Learning

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## What Are NVC's Current Needs? - NVKids

- ADHD
- Physical struggles
- Sound sensitivities
- Social anxieties
- Sensory processing disorders

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## What Are NVC's Current Needs? - Upstairs

- Sound sensitivities
- Mental health struggles
- Social anxieties
- Physical struggles
- ADHD
- Migraines

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## What Is God's View?

<sup>12</sup>Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

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<sup>18</sup>But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. <sup>19</sup>If they were all one part, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

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<sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don’t need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don’t need you!” <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ...



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But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.

(1 Corinthians 12:12,18-22,24-25)

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<sup>12</sup>Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid.

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<sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup>and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

(Luke 14:12-14)

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## What Does NVC Do Now?

- Inclusion training (NVKids, A/V)
- Carseat checks  
(regular and special needs)
- Ear Plugs
- Words on Slides
- ....

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## What Does NVC Do Now?

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- NV Cafe
- Chairs with arms
- Wheel Chair accessible bathrooms
- Help at Everyone Belongs every year (volunteers and supplies)

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## What Does NVC Have Ready?

- Purple Room
- Learning some ASL songs for worship (kids and adults!)
- A plan in place for wheelchair accessible baptisms (open water!)
- Training

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## What Does NVC Have As Ideas?

- Special needs community fair
- Respite Days
- Increased involvement in  
Everyone Belongs and/or Night to  
Shine

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## What Can I Do?

- Be Aware
- Be Loving
- Be Serving



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