

Christ the King For the young and the young at heart:

If children are present, invite them to where you are.

You shall need:

- A volunteer
- A large Chair
- Crown, robe, orb, sceptre of authority...may be made from paper, card or use everyday objects like footy cap, table cloth, ball, hockey stick.
- Paper bags to represent money (draw \$ sign on side)
- Bandages
- Paper and textas or pencils

Ask for a volunteer to come forward and be dressed as the king. Make a point of sharing what you are doing when you dress the king in the symbols of power and authority.

"Today we celebrate that Jesus is King forever"...questions about what this means. Today we remember that Jesus is a shepherd king, he looks after us all and knows us. Although he is full of glory and power he is so humble. (Ask the 'king' to put aside his symbols of authority and robe and crown and take some bandages to use to wrap someone who is sickwith compassion)

If we are going to be his people, we will act like him in our lives, and that is how he will recognise us as his people. Every time we do something kind or loving, to help someone, we are following him. Every time we notice people's needs and care for them we know that we are following him and not just being good, but being like him. Jesus told us that whatever we do for others; it's as if we do it for him.

Trace around their hands and then ask the children to draw what they know they can do to help others. (You might need to give some examples but good questioning could get them to share what they will draw about...some of the adults might help with this too. Work out how they will share what they have done with the congregation)

If your congregation knows the Graham Kendrick song "Shepherd King" this would be a fitting conclusion.