

Planning Your Prayer Vigil

Timing: Groups are encouraged, if possible, to plan a prayer vigil for March 1, the day of the Healthcare for All Virginians rally in Richmond. If March 1 will not work, plan another day – soon. The rally in Richmond will be mid-day, but your rally can be mid-day, morning, late afternoon or another time that works for you.

Place: Hold your prayer vigil at a place that is symbolic for the issue and easily accessible for people. Consider outside your Senator's office, at a community center or park, or at a healthcare clinic that serves low-income families.

Invite people: A good prayer vigil can be done with a small number of people or a large number. Even though you may not have much recruitment time, invite your friends via email, Facebook and calls. Set up a Facebook event to help promote it.

Make copies for participants: Print out copies for however many people you expect. Print out:

- The service
- The Religious leaders' statements

Take pictures: Take pictures and videos. Post them on social media. Send a copy to your Senator. Send copies to Neill@virginiainterfaithcenter.org.

Recruit readers/leaders: Even though the service is quite simple to follow, invite people to serve in the various leadership roles. Ask someone who sings well to lead the song.