

Care Package Ideas

Anytime

 Homemade baked goods, letters from home, notes of encouragement, prayers, devotions, photos, anything microwaveable, note cards and stamps, puzzle books, gift cards, cash

Seasonal

- Valentine's Day: Valentine's card, candy hearts, Hershey kisses, chocolates in a heart-shaped box, heart-shaped cookies, warm and cozy fleece blanket, slippers, photo of home, aroma diffuser, seasonal window clings or door poster
- Thanksgiving: Mug, apple cider packs, sparkling juice, cinnamon sticks, pumpkin or sunflower seeds, craisins, candy corn, stuffing mix, microwaveable mashed potatoes, turkey gravy, turkey jerky, pumpkin pie in a jar, small pumpkins or other autumn decorations, seasonal window clings, potpourri or aroma diffuser, comfy socks, big fuzzy blanket, hat, scarf, mittens, gloves, nerf football
- Easter: Easter card, plastic eggs filled with candy or quarters for laundry, jellybeans, bubbles, Easter candy, seasonal window clings, trail mix with Easter M&M's, Peeps, beach ball, cute Easter wind up toys, flip flops, decorative cross or cross jewelry.
- Winter: Mug, hot chocolate, tea, instant gourmet coffee, bag of mini marshmallows, chocolate covered spoons, wool or fleece blanket, slippers, instant soup, socks, winter hat, scarf, mittens or gloves, small manger, mini tree and ornaments, candy canes
- **Birthday**: Streamers or birthday banner, microwaveable cake, balloons, recorded birthday greetings from family and friends, favorite snacks
- Oktoberfest/Reformation: Stationary, note cards, pens & pencils, cork board and thumbtacks, swag with your church logo, Lutheran seal pin, cross, recordings of hymns, books, root beer and mug, drink coasters, chocolate, honey, apricots, almonds, cheese curds, seasonal snacks

College Themes

- Study Aids: Colored pens and pencils, highlighters, sticky notes, bookmarks, handheld pencil sharpener, USB drive, paper clips, note cards, stress ball or fidget spinner
- **Study Break**: Power bars, dried fruit, mixed nuts or trail mix, gum, coffee, water bottle, beef jerky, homemade treats, peanut butter and crackers, Grubhub gift card
- **Food Staples**: Food storage containers, microwaveable items such as popcorn, oatmeal, ramen noodles, mac and cheese cups, chips and salty snacks, fruit snacks, condiments
- Cleaning Supplies: Laundry detergent, dryer sheets or wool dryer ball, mesh bag for washing delicates, quarters for the laundromat, extra hangers, antibacterial all-purpose cleaning wipes, wipes for electronics, garbage bags, paper towels, microfiber cloths, room freshener spray, small bucket and sponge, small duster, stain remover pen
- Personal Care Items: Soap, shampoo, conditioner, lip balm, razors, styling products, moisturizer, dry shampoo, perfume or cologne, facial mask, nail polish & polish remover, shaving cream, toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash, dental floss, deodorant, Q-tips, sunscreen, sunglasses, loofahs, nail clippers, contact lens solution, ear plugs, lint roller

- First Aid: Vitamins, Band-Aids, ibuprofen or other pain reliever, Neosporin, hand sanitizer, cough drops, tissues, microwaveable soup, tea bags, powdered Gatorade, tweezers, thermometer, disinfecting wipes, lip balm,
- Handyman: Adhesive hooks for walls, hammer, screwdriver, small sewing kit, scissors, flashlight,

Just for Fun

- **Sports fan**: Frisbee, jump rope, inflatable beach ball, tote bag, yo-yo, hackey sack, Nerf football, hand warmers for watching fall sports, fan items from school store or gift card, popcorn bowl and microwave popcorn
- Workout time: Water bottle, fun towel, power bars, powdered Gatorade, socks, gym bag, earbuds, hair ties, flip flop's or shower shoes, school themed t-shirt or gift card
- Stress relief: Silly string, slinky, playing cards and card games like Uno, Silly Putty or Play Dough, barrel of monkeys, or other small games, board games, Chia pet or bonsai tree, glow sticks, coloring books and colored pencils, markers or crayons

Do you have additional care package recommendations you'd like us to add to the list?

Email them to cm@wels.net!