## COMMUNION

Liturgy is nothing more than a form for offering worship and glory to God. The following liturgy is for your benefit as you guide a room to worship and see the glory of God through the ordinance of communion. Take liberty to adapt this document and let your character shape the moment as you minister.

**Supplies:** Option 1: Loaf of Bread Option 2: Communion Cups

Grape Juice Basket Charger Bible

Large Cup or Bowl

Bible

**Introduction:** Each week we enter this room under the weight of busyness. Let us, in this space, set the responsibilities of our day down to free our souls and awaken our spirits to the study of God's presence before we study (insert course title).

Before Jesus died on the cross he invited his closest friends to a meal with him and as friends of Jesus we will do the same today.

Whichever fits your gathering: invite the group to grab the elements by coming to a common place or by passing them for taking.

It would be appropriate to give your gathering a prompt to consider as you perform the ordinance to follow that is connected to Jesus life, sacrifice, or friendship with us.

**Body:** Paul recalls Jesus' final meal in his letter to the Corinthians...

## 1 Corinthians 11:23-24

<sup>23</sup> For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup> and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

Let's all accept his sacrifice and eat in remembrance of him.

Instruct the group to eat the bread element.

## 1 Corinthians 11:25

<sup>25</sup> In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Let's all trust in his promise and drink in remembrance of him.

Instruct the group to drink the wine element.



## 1 Corinthians 11:26

 $^{26}$  For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Lord, we trust that your sacrifice for us was total and complete so that we can be made new and live a life of freedom and obedience to you. We trust that you have not forgotten us but are excitedly anticipating the Father's direction to return for us and bring us home.

This is a great place to replace the above text with a devotional thought or connected to Jesus making himself known in our lives, circumstances, relationships, places of work/ministry, etc.

Benediction: Jesus, you make all things new. You free the world from its bondage to sin. Through your death and resurrection you reveal purpose and fullness we hope to discover as we live for your glory.

Amen.

Note(s):

Though not necessary, you or your group may find it helpful to prepare a musical element to encourage a pensive or reflective atmosphere.

