

Simple Worship 'Together' Over a Meal (and Video Link!)

Instructions in italics

Leaders' words in normal type

Light (Thanks)

One person lights a match and lights a candle saying:

'We light this candle to remember that Jesus is the light of the world.'

*In turn each person offers something they would like to thank God for from the day/week
(if you have tea lights each person may like to light one from the central candle as they share)*

End this round by giving thanks for the meal.

Water (Lament/Confession)

Each person received a glass of water poured from a jug:

Jesus said 'Whoever drinks the water I give will never thirst' (John 4:13)

In turn each person shares something of the brokenness and thirst they have seen or experienced that day/week, in the world or in themselves.

Jesus said "Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life"

You may like to hold a short time of silence in which you are invited to remember Jesus' gift of life and forgiveness for the whole world. When you are ready drink some water.

Bread (God's word)

As the food is served read:

Jesus said 'People don't live by bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God' (Matt 4: 4)

Food is now served and we eat! When you are ready read the story for the day and use the following questions to discuss the story or passage together:

John 20: 24 - 31

- *What does the story/passage tell me about God?*
- *What does the story/passage mean for us and for me?*
- *How am I going to respond to what I've discovered?*

Use the Zoom link at 1.30 pm to connect with others. Each family/group shares:

- *Something you would like to tell about the story*
- *Something you would like to share for prayer.*

Pray together

Final Blessing

Either a sung blessing to join in with (microphones on mute!) over Zoom

or

Bless to us, O god, the road that is before us
Bless to us, O God, the friends who are around us,
Bless to us, O God, your love which is within us.
Bless to us, O God, the light that leads us home.