

## **5. Words of Institution or reading of the Lord's Supper from Scripture.**

The head of the household reads from scripture  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26 or recites the following  
Words of Institution:

*In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

*Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.*

*Do this for the remembrance of me.*

## **6. Sharing of Holy Communion**

The head of the household gives communion to each person. One person will give communion back to the Head of the Household. Or, the head of the household gives communion to the first person who gives communion to the second person, who communes the third person etc.

Hand each individual a piece of cracker and say:

*"The body of Christ, given for you."*

Hand each person a small sip of grape juice or wine and say: *"The blood of Christ, shed for you."*

*\*Optional, you may want to share a cup, and have each person dip their cracker in the wine/juice before eating.*

## **7. Blessing**

After all have received Holy Communion, the Head of the Household or another person says:

*May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.*

Home Communion  
Led by the Head of the Household  
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### **Items you need:**

- 1. Bible**
- 2. Either Communion Wafers or simple Table Water Crackers.**
- 3. Grape Juice or Red Table Wine such as Manischewitz in a cup to share, or in enough small cups for each individual.**

### **Parts of the Service:**

- 1. Read Scripture**
- 2. Prayer of Confession.**
- 3. Other prayer requests or Lord's Prayer.**
- 4. Hearing our Forgiveness**
- 5. Words of Institution or reading of the Lord's Supper from Scripture.**
- 6. Sharing of Holy Communion**
- 7. Blessing**

### **A few possibilities for Scriptures:**

**Protection, guidance, care: Psalm 23**

**God Created you: Psalm 139:13-16**

**God has a good plan for you: Jeremiah 29:11-13**

**Forgiveness: 1 John 1:5-10**

**Answered Prayers: John 14:13-14**

**Hope, Eternal Life: John 14:1-7**

**Guidance, Peace: John 14:25-27**

**Following Jesus: 1 John 3:16-23**

**Hope, Encouragement in faith: Romans 8:31-38**

To be led by the Head of the Household.  
Encourage all members in the reading of scripture and in prayer.

### **1. Read Scripture**

Choose a scripture from the front of this booklet, or use any devotional or other favorite scripture passage.  
Read this scripture out loud.

Optional: Discuss what this scripture means for you.  
Do you see yourself in this Bible verse?  
What promise do you see from God?

### **2. Prayer of Confession.**

Pray freely your prayer of confession, or one member may lead the group in this prayer:

*Heavenly father,  
Out of your good and gracious care, you have provided me all that I need, and by your loving Son Jesus Christ, you have shown me your love. I confess that I have failed to love you, and failed to love my neighbor as myself. I have sinned in my thoughts, words, and actions. <pause for personal quiet prayer>  
Forgive me my sins. Cleanse me from unfaithfulness to you. May your Holy Spirit comfort me and strengthen my trust in you. Lord, in your Mercy, Hear my prayer. Amen.*

### **3. Other prayer requests or Lord's Prayer.**

Pray freely your prayer requests for others and yourself, or one member may lead the group in this prayer:

*Lord, you have heard our cries for forgiveness. Hear also our prayers for healing, for strength, for encouragement, and for peace. Hear our specific prayers of need for ourselves or others, as we speak them outloud or quietly in our hearts.*

*<pause for individual prayers>*

*May your Holy Spirit seek our hearts, and intercede for our prayers, the ones we know and the ones we don't know how to pray. Lord in your mercy, Hear my prayer. Amen.*

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.*

### **4. Hearing our Forgiveness**

The head of the household says:

*In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you. For his sake, God forgives you all your sins. You are forgiven in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, he give the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. Amen.*