Welcome

(Use this time to welcome people)

Gathering and Welcoming Prayer

Ps. 23:1; John 10:14-16

The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd. He lays down his life for his sheep. The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd. He knows us, and we belong to him. The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd. He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

Music/Song (You can copy, paste & download these songs with Lyrics)

When I Survey the Wonderous Cross - https://vimeo.com/539369864

He Ain't Heavy – The Hollies - https://vimeo.com/539371111

Prayer for Forgiveness & Thanksgiving

1 John 3:20 ;1 John 3:16-24

If we are honest with ourselves, our hearts, at times, condemn us. But God, who knows everything, is greater than our hearts; and God's deep desire for us is mercy, love, and peace. Therefore, let us confess our sin.

Let's pray...

Lord, have mercy on us.

We talk about love, but our actions can betray us.

We talk about love, but we can neglect the poor.

We talk about love, but we can fail to love one another.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Forgive us God, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show your love for all creation, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. Amen.

Thanks be to God!

Assurance

1 John 3:16, 21-22

We seek God's grace with boldness because we trust in Jesus our Christ, the One who loves us and laid down his life for us. This is the good news of the gospel: in Jesus our Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(Turn to those around you and greet them with the words above)

Notices

Offerings

Prayers for Others (Take this time to pray for our world, our local community and individuals)

Music/Song

A New Commandment - https://vimeo.com/539372844

Reading for Today

Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23; 1 Jn 3:16-24; Jn 10:11-18

Reflection

Sacrificing for the Greater Good by Rev Eric Drury - https://vimeo.com/539337718

Questions related to the Reflection

- Can we participate in honouring the fallen without betraying the gospel of the Prince of Peace?
- Does Anzac Day provide us with a bridge into the secular community?

Sílence

Sit still and silent. Sink into your heart. Think about God's sacrificial love for you and how you might be able to sacrifice for others.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

1 John 3:23; John 10:11; Ps. 23:6

In the name of the good shepherd, love one another. And, may the goodness and mercy of God follow you all the days of your life, and, at your life's end, may you dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Alleluia!

Music/Song (Optional - You may wish to include another piece of music or song here

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