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Remembering ... colleagues and family members

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GATHERING . . . you are invited to write your colleague / loved one’s name(s) in the Book of Remembrance ... hold them in your mind-heart and consider sharing memories / stories during the service ...

SINGING . . . This Day God Gives Me, verses 1, 2

vs. 1
This day God gives me
Strength of high heaven,
Flame in my hearth,
Flashing of lightning,
Depths of the ocean,
Firmness of earth

vs. 2
This day God sends me
Strength as my guardian
Might to uphold me
Your eyes are watchful,
Your lips are speaking,
Friend at my side.

PRAYING . . .
Leader: We gather in faith. We gather in love. We gather in hope. We gather in the name of our God who created us and sustains us in each of life’s moments . . . with confidence in God, whose mercy endures forever.

ALL: Amen.

LISTENING . . .
Matthew 5 & 11, excerpts
At the end of the reading: Reader: The Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God

SHARING NAMES, STORIES, MEMORIES, HOPE . . .
I thank my God every time I remember you.
In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this - that the One who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

(cf. Philippians 1)

PRAYING . . .
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Amen.

SHARING PEACE . . .
Peace I leave with you, my friends . . .

SINGING . . . This Day God Gives Me, verses, 3, 4

vs. 3
God’s way is my way,
God’s shield is ‘round me,
God’s host defends me,
Angels of heaven,
Drive from me always
All that would harm me,
Stand by me still.

vs. 4
Rising I thank you,
Mighty and strong One,
King of creation,
Giver of rest,
Firmly confessing
God in three Persons,
Oneness of Godhead,
Trinity blest.

GOING FORTH . . . STRENGTHENED IN HOPE . . .

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