

Wrap-up gathering agenda

Beginning

Open with prayer. Allow sufficient time to share all the blessings of this experience and all the things to be thankful for.

Middle

Review your experience:

- Revisit the goals and objectives you established when you were getting started. What were the results? What has changed?
- Use the evaluation in the Planning Workbook.

Think about the whole process and review notes of conversations with your volunteers:

- What went well?
- What would you do differently?
- What did you learn?
- What did you hear?

Consider who needs to know this information:

- Ministry personnel: To inform them of pastoral issues
- Envelope secretary: To provide updated information
- Christian educators or others: To provide program ideas

Plan further communication now and over the year:

- How will you report the final results?
- How will you update people about the impact of their generosity?

Deepening the discipleship and stewardship journey

You may well discover that people are yearning to know more about the ministry of the congregation and about living as a follower of Jesus. Some may want to delve more deeply into generosity, giving, and gratitude as a spiritual practice or learn more about lifelong stewardship. Consider offering the I Intend program (www.iintend.org) that gives individuals, groups or the whole parish an opportunity to grow in their capacity to be disciples and followers of Jesus. The resources help people make practical choices in five areas of their lives to help them live generously, faithfully, and intentionally as followers of Jesus.

End

- Report to your leadership and advisory board.
- Identify when to get started for next year.
- Wrap up any other loose ends.
- Close with one of the stewardship prayers (online at www.anglican.ca/gtp).