

Session 13: What Was Our Story Of This Work?

Learning Objectives:

- To reflect on the experiences and learnings of the work undertaken during this time.
- To share the story of what was learned with others.
- To examine where future learnings might occur.

Session Summary:

Either over a meal or just by being together, participants will reflect on where they have been, where they are, and where they want to go.

Background:

Materials:

1. None

Preparation:

- Read over questions.
- Decide where to meet-if over a meal either make a reservation for a quiet restaurant or coordinate a potluck.

Workshop Plan

Opening Reading/Hymn (5 minutes)

(You are invited to pick a reading and/or an opening hymn. Singing The Living Tradition is an excellent resource. Other options are a moment of silence, a prayer, or a brief check-in. You are encouraged to also begin with a chalice lighting. Please submit any readings and/or hymn choices that you have used successfully to the OBGLTC as feedback for possible inclusion in future editions of LWC.)

Activities:

Questions

2 hours

There are four basic questions to be answered in this session. It is recommended that you take the time first in a smaller group of 2-3 then a whole group to answer these four questions.

- 1) What did you learn and/or accomplish by working on *Living the Welcoming Congregation*?
- 2) What questions do you still have and how can you work toward finding the answers?
- 3) How will we share this experience, this story with others around us (either in the congregation, with friends, and/or in the community-at-large)?
- 4) Once the story has been told, what are the next moves toward continuing *Living the Welcoming Congregation*?

Closing Reading/Hymn (5 minutes)

(You are encouraged to find a suitable one. The difference between the Opening and Closing is that we suggest that one reading and/or one hymn is selected to be used as the closing for all sessions. The Opening may vary from session to session.)

Suggested Hymns

Suggested Readings

Add Your Suggestion

Ask participants to hold hands as they are willing, able, and comfortable