

# **A CATECHESIS of the GOOD SHEPHERD SESSION OUTLINE**

## **ENTRANCE**

### **GATHERING**

- Greeting at the Door (the threshold)
- Preparing to Enter the Sacred Circle (waiting)

### **GETTING READY**

- Entering the Sacred Circle (walking, sitting)
- Sharing with the Community (experiences from life)
- Liturgical Greeting (asking for God's presence)
- Silence (becoming still inside)

## **WORD AND RESPONSE**

### **LISTENING**

- Bringing the Story into the Circle (from the shelves)
- Presenting the Story (entering the Story)
- Wondering (with the Story inside of us)
- Returning the Story (back to the shelves)

### **RESPONDING**

- Individual Work (at tables or on rugs)
- Getting Ready for the Prayers and Feast (putting away work & materials)

## **THANKSGIVING**

### **PREPARING**

- Preparing Tables (serving napkins, food, cup)
- Prayers (individual and communal thanks for the feast)

### **SHARING (The Feast)**

- Enjoying the Feast (eating, drinking, conversing)
- Putting Things Away

## **SENDING FORTH**

### **DISMISSAL**

- Getting Ready
- Individual Blessing (each is thanked and blessed)

### **GOING FORTH**

- Leaving the Sacred Circle
- Saying Goodbyes at the Door