Opening Worship

Facilitator: Fleeing Bethlehem, into Egypt...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: Out of Nazareth, to the River Jordan...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: Off of the shore, onto the water...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: Into the lives of the suffering and fearful...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: From the upstairs room, to the the cross...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: From the tomb, through the closed doors...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: On the road to Emmaeus...

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: I invite you each to describe, in one or two sentences, the place where you left your stone during your neighborhood walk.

All: Jesus walked.

Facilitator: Into our hearts and through our lives...

All: Jesus walks.

Reader 1: Matthew 8:18-20
Sending Prayer

Facilitator: Out of this room and into the broken world...
All:  We will walk.

Facilitator: With new vision...
All:  We will walk.

Facilitator: Filled with God's compassion...
All:  We will walk.

Facilitator: Holding others in our hearts...
All:  We will walk.

Facilitator: Where Christ leads us...
All:  We will walk.

Facilitator: I now invite your intercessions and thanksgivings...

Reader 2:  Matt. 28:16-20 (The Great Commission)

Facilitator: We invite you to take one more walk. Bring to this walk, the same intentionality, but this time, remember the place where you left your stone, walk while reflecting on your compassionate response to this spot. Walk with compassion in your heart.

All:

*Lord, make us instruments of your peace.*
*Where there is hatred, let us sow love;*  
*where there is injury, pardon;*  
*where there is discord, union;*  
*where there is doubt, faith;*  
*where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;*  
*where there is sadness, joy.*

*Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;*  
*to be understood as to understand;*  
*to be loved as to love.*
For it is in giving that we receive;  
\emph{it is pardoning that we are pardoned;}
\emph{and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.}

\textbf{Facilitator:} Go in peace to love and serve the Lord with compassion. Let us share the peace as we prepare to continue our journey.

Everyone shares God’s Peace