

## **DESIGNING A MEMORIAL SERVICE**

*Use this as a guide – anything can be taken out, added or moved around. Questions to be thinking about:*

1. *Who* would you like to be involved?
2. *Are there any specific scriptures you'd like incorporated?*
3. *Is there any particular song(s) you'd like incorporated?*
4. *Is there any poetry or writings you would like used?*
5. *What instrumentation would you prefer (if available)*

### **Congregational Hymn**

*Is there a particular hymn or song you'd like to use?*

**Opening Prayer**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_

**Obituary**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Words** (*from a friend or family member(s) – either read by someone else or spoken by the person(s) themselves.*)

**Special Music**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Is there a special song you'd like to use here?*

**Scripture Reading**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Are there any particular scriptures you'd like to have read?*

**Message**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_

### **Open Time of Sharing**

*This is optional. This is good if you feel that there are people in the crowd who will share. Be careful here:*

1. *If the circumstances surrounding the death are highly unusual, have legal implications, or illicit heightened emotions (death of a small child, suicide, etc.), this may not be advisable.*
2. *Have a definite time limit that is communicated ahead of time with the family.*
3. *It may be wise to have a couple of people pre-selected to share.*

**Video Tribute**      *What format or equipment will be needed?* \_\_\_\_\_

**Closing Song**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_

**Closing Prayer**      *Who?* \_\_\_\_\_