

# Your First Gathering

Have a planning session and talk through the details: how many people? Where will people sit? What's the flow? How will we communicate? Who will co-lead (share responsibilities for caring for people throughout this semester)?

**Clarity creates comfort.** Connect with each group member. Send an email or text of welcome and share any needed information.

**Invite people.** Post to social media. Invite--get the word out. The gathering directory is a great tool, but a personal invitation goes a long way.

**Pray, pray, pray.** The most important and impactful thing you can do for your gathering is pray.

