



# The “Rural Café” Online Process

To use with UCRMN Workshops

## Requirements:

- We will be using Zoom Break Out rooms.
- The Facilitator will be assigned by the Planning Team.
- The Facilitator will also be the scribe (recorder).
- Get yourself a coffee or tea (or cold drink).

## Process:

- Four people to each Break Out Room.
- Facilitator is to ensure everyone gets to tell at least part of their story (as much as they are willing to share).
- This is a “sharing” or “story telling” experience. The person is sharing their experience – therefore everyone’s experience is valid. We are to listen: we are not to judge or offer advice, or try to fix it.
- Confidentiality is a must. Do not compare yourselves to other – God has blessed each of us with different gifts.

## Anticipated Online Agenda: (each Break Out Session is 20 minutes)

- Introduction questions for Break Out Rooms (1 minute each):
    - *Your Name, Lay or Clergy, Where from, etc.*
  - Discussion Questions: (the final 20 minutes total)
    - *Two or three questions on today’s topic. (listed in Workshop Information)*
  - The Facilitator will take bulletin point notes (respecting confidentiality). After the Break Out Session is finished, we will gather for 10 minutes in Plenary. The Facilitator will share their “bullets” with the Plenary.
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- You will be placed into another Break Out room (all new folks). You can share the same story or a new one – it’s your story! We will follow the above format.