B16 From Longing to Belonging
Connecting through the Language of Worship with Persons Experiencing Dementia

Introduction
• Beginning stories
• Dementia: umbrella term
• Changes in...
• Unaffected
• Predictable

Strategies
• Don’t: shout, ask “what’s my name?” or avoid bad days
• Keep in mind: behavior is communication, In Christ
• Bring: nametag, pictures, iPad, prayer shawl
• Worship

Vertical Habits: A Common Language for Worship
• Developing habits
• The Vertical Habits:
  ○ Adoration/praise
  ○ Confession
  ○ Lament
  ○ Illumination
  ○ Petition
  ○ Thanksgiving/gratitude
  ○ Service
  ○ Blessing
• Tools & Ideas
• Sign the vertical habits
• Togethersmallgroups.org
• Live it

Closing
• Thinking ahead
• Hope
• Questions?