Outline of the Taharah Procedure and Liturgy
Based on the book Chesed Shel Emet, Third Edition

Pre-taharah activities (outside of the taharah room)
* Assign roles, etc.
* Learn about the met/metah:
  —Determine Hebrew name and whether tallit will be used
  —Obtain information about condition of the met/metah
* (Optional) Recite opening kavanah before entering the taharah room

A. Opening Prayers
* Wash hands, put on gloves and gowns
* Recite as a full group opening MECHILAH
* Recite CHAMOL
* Recite ANA ELOHEI HACHESED

B. Rechitzah (Physical washing)
* Prepare small buckets (warm water), cloths, etc. for washing
* Remove sheet, cover genitals with cloth
* Recite VAYA’AN VAYOMER
* Recite ROSHO KETEM PAZ or HINACH YAFAH while doing physical washing
* When done, dry met/metah and table, cover met/metah, and remove gloves

C. Taharah (Spiritual washing)
* Wash hands, put on new gloves, prepare buckets, and immerse and place boards
* Recite AMAR RABBI AKIVA
* Simultaneously:
  —Recite TAHOR HU or T’HORAH HI
  —Pour water over met/metah
* Recite V’HITKADASHTEM
* Remove boards
* Dry met/metah, table, and boards
* Cover met/metah

D. Halbashah (Dressing in tachrichim) and Halanah (Placement in the aron)
* Recite SOS ASIS
* Prepare tachrichim
* Simultaneously:
  —Recite K’TONET BAD KODESH YILBASH, etc.
  —Dress met/metah in tachrichim
* Sprinkle afar in the aron
* Place sovev (and tallit, if used) in aron
* Place met/metah in aron
* Recite V’LO YAVO’U
* Place shards on eyelids (optional) and afar on eyes, heart, genitals
* Recite V’CHIPER ADMATO
* Wrap tallit and sovev; add any extra items

E. Concluding Prayers
* Recite HINEIH MITATO
* Recite closing MECHILAH as a full group
* Close aron and place unlit candle
* Recite UVINSO’A as aron is moved
* Light yahrzeit candle

Post-taharah activities
* Clean taharah room and check supplies
* Outside the taharah room:
  —Wash hands
  —(Optional) Debrief and recite closing prayers