

Invocation:

Blessed be God our maker who call us to be a new people.
Blessed be God our redeemer who claims us in grace.
Blessed be God our life-giving breath who fill us with love and sends us in service.
We gather looking to , † one God,
whose steadfast love is everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation.
Amen.

Confession & Forgiveness:

Trusting in the grace and mercy of God, let us confess the sin and brokenness in our lives
and in the world.

Reconciling God,
we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we turn from your presence in our lives.

We place our hope in ourselves
and rely on our own efforts.

We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.
We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.

We fear difference and do not welcome others
as you have welcomed us.

We sin in thought, word, and deed.
By your grace, forgive us;
through your love, renew us;
and in your Spirit, lead us;
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved people of God,
by the radical abundance of God's grace
we have peace with God through † Christ Jesus,
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.
Our sins are forgiven.
Let us live now in hope.
For hope does not disappoint,
because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Prayer of the Day:

God of compassion, you have opened the way for us and brought us to yourself. Pour your love into our hearts, that, overflowing with joy, we may freely share the blessings of your realm and faithfully proclaim the good news of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People:

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

Holy One, you bring us together and call us your own. Guide your church, that we might be a holy people.

Holy One, the whole earth is yours. Where there is fire, bring cool air and new growth. Where there is flooding, bring abatement. Where there is drought, bring rain. Inspire us to care for what you have provided.

Holy One, we have created divisions you will not own. In places of conflict in our own cities and around the globe raise up leaders who work to develop lasting peace and reconciliation. Encourage organizations and individuals who care for those most marginalized.

Holy One, you care for those who are harassed and helpless. Protect and defend those who are abused. Heal those who are sick. Feed all who hunger. Empower all whose voices go unheard, and help us respond to the pressing needs of our neighbors. Today we lift up those who are in need of your healing presence in our congregation: Juliet Hanson and Tom Reddy, Ruth Herz, Lloyd Mart; Belinda Cline as she is called back to work in a COVID-19 unit.

Holy One, you provide plentiful gifts and resources. Gather and use the gifts of this congregation that we might discover new ways of living and serving you in this community and around the world. Minister to us in our work, that we do not lose heart.

Holy One, you bring all people to yourself. We give thanks for the holy people who have gone before us. Today we remember Irmeli Moran's mother as we hold Irmeli, Craig, Aleksi, and Elli in prayer; we remember Rick McComb's mother as we hold Rick and Ellie in prayer. Sustain us in our living until the day you bear us up to join the saints in light.

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing:

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.
God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ,
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,
bless you and keep you in eternal love.
Amen.

Dismissal:

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God.