

Prayer of Confession

L: Holy God, we confess that we have trampled the sabbath.

P: We claim your name and not your way.

L: We cling to excuses to avoid discomfort or sacrifice in service of our neighbor.

P: We turn from human suffering. We keep silent in the face of wickedness.

L: Transform us, O God, that we might be saved from the vise of evil and the lure of inaction.

P: Rebuild us with righteousness and hope and redeem us for your kingdom. Amen.

Words of Grace

L: Beloved, in Isaiah 58:9, the Voice assures, "Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and God will say, "Here I am." God's abiding presence never leaves us; God's transforming love will empower you to live the just and righteous life. Receive grace for participation and belonging in the kingdom.

P: God's mercies are renewed for us. Amen.