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In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

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We confess our sins before God & one another *(Silence to reflect)*

Forgiving God,

**We confess that we have sinned against you & our neighbor.**

**We have claimed scarcity in time of abundance.**

**We have looked away from those in need.**

**We have turned in on ourselves and feared**

**that we will not have enough.**

**Forgive us, O God, and open our ears to your commands,**

**that we might receive the blessing of joining in your work**

**in the world. Amen.**

God promises to hear our prayers & to forgive our sins. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Trust God’s promises & begin anew to live with generosity, open to new ways to love your neighbor as God loves you. **AMEN**

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For hungry people with empty stomachs & malnutrition,

**Lord, have mercy!**

For thirsty people with parched throats & dry lips,

**Lord, have mercy!**

For the church of Christ that would provide food & drink for all, **Lord, have mercy!**

For the nations of the earth, that peace might reign,

**Lord, have mercy!**

For those gathered everywhere, the hungry & the full, the thirsting & the satisfied, that all might join in praise of you, O God.

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