LuMin Sunday 26-27: Confession and Forgiveness

Theme: “Accompaniment through God’s Covenantal Relationship”

Please stand as you are able for the confession and forgiveness

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

God of Covenantal Relationships,
from whom we have the gift of unconditional love,
and the promise of everlasting life,
prepare our hearts for the forgiveness we seek
and by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
call us again to right relationship with each other
and all of creation through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Pause for a time of reflection

We confess the times we’ve overstepped boundaries;
the times when we’ve been absent because of overcommitment,
the times when we’ve been apathetic or distant due to our own self-interest
the times when we’ve denied relationship because of our closed-off hearts,
the times when we’ve pushed away others because their differences were uncomfortable,
the times when we’ve forgotten our relationship with Creation is equally important,
the times when we thought we knew best and failed to listen to the needs and desires of those we cared about most.

Lord Jesus Christ, we know that when we become disconnected in relationship with you, our earthly relationships become strained and disjointed.
Bless and renew our relationships, we pray,
so that we may remain connected with each other and all of creation,
strengthening our capacity for mutuality
so that we may grow in faith as we walk along this journey of life together.
Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Fear not, for God Immanual,
who came to us enfleshed
to show us the way of Love
forgives us and redeems us.
God sows relationship through love and accompaniment,
inviting us to tend to each other
while we walk each other home.
In the name of Jesus, + who is the Christ, you are forgiven. **Amen.**