Prayer of Confession

Call to Confession

As we come before the Lord this morning in confession, we remember Jesus' teaching in the Sermon on the Mount. "Anyone who says, 'you fool' will be in danger of the fire of hell. Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift at the altar. First, go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift." God desires that we bring ourselves to the altar with sincerity and fullness of heart. Mindful of Jesus' words, we come to God in prayer.

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Lord God,
Each of us have those in our lives about whom we say "you fool"
aloud or silently in our hearts.
We know this grieves you, Lord.
You hate when your children fight.

In this time of reflection as we bring our week before you Lord and lay it on your altar
Guide us in examining our hearts,
That we may see more clearly the ways we say 'you fool' to others.
In our thoughts, words, or deeds.

Give us the courage to step out in faith and reconcile with our neighbours
with our brothers and sisters here,
with those in our community,
with ourselves
in our places of work
in our families
in your world

To your praise, honor, and Glory. AMEN

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