

Confession and Assurance – Wisdom Never Stops Calling

Prayer of Confession

(May be read in unison)

Loving God, your Wisdom fills the air we breathe
and calls out to us from all around.

There are times when we hear it clearly
and find our way to the path of your leading.

There are other times when hearing is difficult:
when we are distracted by other voices
 competing loudly for our attention;
when we are unable to discern which of the voices is yours;
when we are afraid that listening to the voice of Wisdom
 may call us to make significant changes
 in our ways of living, thinking, or relating;
when we aren't sure that we are strong or worthy enough
 to move in the direction we are being called;
when we are tired and lack the energy it takes to listen.

We acknowledge that in these times
 we struggle to hear and value the voice of Wisdom.

And yet, she persists.

Your Wisdom never stops calling.

Give us hearts that yearn for understanding.

Make her voice strong and clear.

Take care of us as we search for sure footing along Wisdom's path.

(Pause)

Words of Assurance

(Read by leader)

Be assured that missed opportunities to respond to Wisdom's call
are not held against you.

Our God is a God of grace,
whose invitation does not expire. Amen.

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