## **Confession and Assurance – Courage to Live Like You**

God, we call you ruler of all, but sometimes we make excuses. We try to avoid applying your rules to our actions and interests. At other times, we hold so tightly to rules that we break relationships. It is easier to imagine that you are like us than it is for us to be like you. We judge ourselves by success; you judge us by how we treat others.

Help us to face our truth.

Forgive us when we fail.

Give us the courage to keep trying to live as you love.

(Pause for silent confession)

The Lord's rules can be trusted. They make plain people wise.

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