

We Worship Together

CALL TO WORSHIP

Moderator: In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, we gather to worship and praise our compassionate God.

Response: We come together as a community, bound by the love of Christ, to learn and grow in His compassion.

Moderator: As the Lord Jesus Christ has shown us mercy and compassion, so we are called to show mercy and compassion to others.

Response: We strive to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, extending compassion to those in need, just as He did.

Moderator: Let us remember the words of the Apostle Paul in Colossians 3:12, "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience."

Response: We commit ourselves to live out these virtues in our daily lives, showing compassion to all, as we have been shown compassion.

All: Together, we worship our compassionate God, who first loved us, and calls us to love one another. Amen and amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Moderator: In the presence of our compassionate God, we are called to confess our shortcomings and failures. We are reminded of our call to be compassionate as Christ was compassionate.

Response: We acknowledge that we often fall short in showing compassion to others. We confess that our hearts are not always tender, and our actions do not always reflect the love of Christ.

Moderator: The Apostle Paul reminds us in Ephesians 4:32, "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Response: We confess that we have not always lived up to this command. We have not always been kind, we have not always been compassionate, and we have not always been forgiving.

Moderator: Yet, we serve a God who is rich in mercy and abundant in love. Let us confess our sins, trusting in the compassionate nature of our God.

Response: Lord, we confess our lack of compassion. We ask for your forgiveness and seek your guidance in living our a life of compassion.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we confess these things together. Amen and amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Moderator: Brothers and Sisters, hear the good news of the Gospel. Our God is a compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Response: We trust in God's mercy and grace.

Moderator: Even when we fail to show compassion, God's compassion toward us never fails. It is new every morning, as sure as sunrise.

Response: We are grateful for God's unending compassion.

Moderator: We are reminded, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

Response: We receive this assurance with humble hearts.

Moderator: Therefore, I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Live now as a forgiven people, showing compassion as you have been shown compassion.

All: Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift. Amen and amen.

Colosians 3:12-17

"Clothed in Compassion"
CRE Gidget Collins

Communion
MWS Carol Pierson

Charge & Benediction