

Almighty God, we are sinners.

Your Word and our hearts confirm that to us.

We have done things You have forbidden and left undone things You have commanded.

We have not loved You with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

As judge of the whole earth, You would be just to condemn us.

Yet, in Your love You sent Christ to bear the guilt of our sin and suffer our punishment.

To Him, now we flee; forgive us for His sake, and by Your Spirit, help us to live in the light of His sacrifice, lives worthy of Your name.

Judge us not according to our work but according to Your mercy in Jesus Christ.

For in Him we hope and in Him we come before You this day. Amen.