



*The **Prayer of Confession** is a congregational prayer before receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion in many Christian traditions. It is a time to pause and reflect upon our need for God's grace.*

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God, please forgive us for forsaking you in our actions towards your creation. We have destroyed the environment and polluted the air with no consideration of our successors. All of the species which you have developed are losing their homes, whether it be the trees we have reaped for our own benefit or the waters which we have polluted. We have been greedy and corrupted the clean air and environment. The Earth is beautiful, and we have taken it for granted. Forgive us of our sins, Lord. Forgive us for not experiencing your creation to the best of our abilities, and forgive us for ignoring your creatures, who are our teachers. Forgive us of our sins, Lord. (Michael S.)

As I sit here today, I am reminded of the many blessings I have in my life due to you. Often times we boast about the finer things in life, but instead, we should boast about the endless love you give us no matter our imperfections and faults. Our sinful ways, you never let them consume us because you're a forgiving God. Amen. (Vanessa C.)

We ask for your forgiveness Lord for we have failed as stewards of the Earth  
We watch as our sewage drains into your rivers while we baptize ourselves with clean water  
We cover your plants in pesticides so we can eat cheaper food  
We leave our trash by the side of the road because we care more about our convenience than your creation  
We are too absorbed with ourselves to realize our place on your Earth  
We are stewards not exploiters  
Neighbors not owners  
We ask you to help us care for your creation and through our care worship you, Amen. (Ella S.)

L: God, we confess that we have not been able to conserve your creation  
P: Forgive us of our sins on the plants and animals of the world  
L: We confess that we have not seen or heard what the birds are telling us about you  
P: Our hearts were not open to the songs of your creation  
E: Father, forgive us and let us be free of the sins that bind us, Amen (Seth J.)

Our graceful Father, while we sinned and still sin, you care for us and give us all mercy. Your Holy Spirit guides us away from transgression and blinds us from hate. WE confess our imperfections and our wrong doings. Forgive us in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen. (Andrew M.)