continuing the journey of transforming grace:
transforming practice

September 22, 2024

Opening Song and Prayer

Hope | sung by Pine Forge Academy Choir

Scripture

Mark 9:37

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me"

Listen and Learn

Your brain is biased by default. Here's how to reset it. | David Eagleman

For Reflection and Dialogue

A year ago, LCWR took up the work of walking into the polarization and division that seems to envelop so many parts of our lives. We recognized that to be hope-bearers and truth-tellers in this time and in this place, we needed to look within at our own judgements and biases before reaching across the external divide.

We stand now, at the autumnal equinox of this work of Transforming Grace.

What stirs within you as you anticipate this next season of our journey?

What might you need to release so that you can be available to building bridges of relationship with the people of difference you encounter in your daily life?

What have you learned about being present, listening to learn, and making the space to create common ground.

We invite you to revisit the recording by Irshad Manji which has influenced the Transforming Grace journey of these last months and consider how the five practices might be tools for transformation in these next weeks before the US National Elections.

What difference might it make if we lived this way, just for this season?

Closing Prayer

Election Prayer | Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace

God of peace, these times demand a change of heart: to be, think, and act differently.

Pour out your Spirit on your people as we prepare to vote in 2024 in unprecedented numbers across the globe.

May we strive to make peace a reality by becoming agens of reconciliation, transforming and transcending polarization, misinformation, and division during this election year.

Help us to recognize the reality of our interconnection and interdependence and to make decisions for the common good.

Amen

Closing Song

The Face of God | Karen Drucker

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