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Prayer for Compassion

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and breathe out all that separates us.

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Help us to pay attention and see clearly our neighbors.

Encourage us to not only help, but listen,

so all may have a voice in the decisions that affect their lives.

Strengthen us to confront evil

and alleviate suffering.

Let us not turn away from the direct needs of ourselves and
those around us

even as we seek to dismantle deeper injustice.

Turn us toward justice, peace and reconciliation.

We pray in your holy name,

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