

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

Psalm 67

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Father of mercies, hear our prayer, and that we may obtain those things for which we pray, help us to ask for those things that please you; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Optional Supplications for*)**ON THE GOSPEL READING • Matthew 15:21-28**

Work in our hearts, O Lord, an undaunted faith in you and in your Word, so that when tested, we are neither deterred by unbelief nor discouraged by despair, but trust wholly in your Word and cling only to your grace. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH'S TASK

Gracious Lord, we pray for your holy Christian church and its leaders. Strengthen it in truth, ground it in faith, and empower it for witness and ministry in these times that we may faithfully and courageously proclaim the good news of redemption in Christ alone. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR MISSIONS

O God, you gave your only Son for the redemption of all people. We pray that from the rising to the setting of the sun, your name may be proclaimed to the nations, and that in every place holy hands may be lifted up to you in prayer, praise, and thanksgiving. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION

Almighty God, hear the prayers of those who turn to you in their time of trial. Be their refuge and strength and, to the glory of your name, their very present help in trouble. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

PRAYER ON LABOR DAY

Gracious God and Father, on this Labor Day weekend we lift thankful hearts to you, that under your providence and care we enjoy the daily blessings of industry and labor, not alone our food, clothing, and homes, but also the sense of accomplishment and fulfillment which work brings. We ask you to support and sustain the unemployed who look to you in their need, and help us to work also for the common good and the well being of our nation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank you that you have given us your holy and blessed Word, by which you gather your church. We pray that we may receive your Word with thankful hearts, live according to it, and ever increase in faith, hope, and love, and at the last obtain eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.
