



LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
Acts 2:1-21 or Gen 11:1-9
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Rom 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21
John 14:8-17 (25-27)

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)

COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit. Grant us, by the same Spirit, true discernment in all things, and may we continually rejoice in his holy counsel; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

ON THE GOSPEL READING

Spirit of God, hear our prayer for the continual outpouring of your witness, in pleading the Word of Christ in our hearts, and in being Christ's presence with us always. Fill us with the confidence that having seen Jesus, we know the Father, and have seen him. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE MINISTRY

Gracious Lord, grant to all ministers of your Word, and to the congregations in their charge, the ministry of the Holy Spirit, the Counselor, that they may truly please you and be the vessel of your blessings to others. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR OUR NATION

O God, who by your providence led those who came before us to this land in which they found refuge from oppression and freedom to worship you, we pray that you will always guide our nation in the way of truth and peace, so that we may never fail in the blessing that you have promised to that people whose God is the Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

We give you thanks, O Lord, and praise your holy name, for you are good and your mercy endures forever. Lord God, heavenly Father, we give you thanks that in your great mercy you sent your only Son to become incarnate, and to redeem us from sin and everlasting death. We pray that you would enlighten our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that we may give thanks always for your grace, and may comfort ourselves with the same in every time of trial and temptation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION

Visit and relieve, O Lord, your servants who are ill, for whom we now make supplication, naming them in our hearts. Comfort them with a sure confidence in your care, defend them in danger, and keep them in your lasting peace and safety. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us to keep your word in pure hearts, so we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death. **Amen.**
