

**LECTIONARY TEXTS**

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)  
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18  
Psalm 27  
Phiippians 3:17—4:1  
Luke 13:31-35

**Suggested ReClaim texts**  
(same)



**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God, our Father, in ourselves we have no strength. Keep us both outwardly and inwardly from all adversities and dangers to the body, and from all evil thoughts that assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH (*Optional Supplications for*)**

**ON THE GOSPEL READING • Luke 13:31-35**

Lord Jesus Christ, spurned and rejected like the prophets before you, we pray that your grace will prevail over our sinful rebellion, so that heeding your voice we may be gathered to you as a hen gathers her brood. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR PEACE**

God of peace and concord, may we your servants, trusting firmly in your protection, never live in fear of any adversary, but enjoy the peace of living safely in your presence and power. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THE RESTORATION OF THOSE WHO HAVE ERRED**

Gracious God and Father, we pray for all who have wandered from the faith, or who are in doubt or temptation. By your Word and Spirit open to them the way of return, that they may again find delight in you, and walk again on the way to life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE IMPRISONED FOR THE FAITH**

We ask your mercy and help, O Father, for all who are falsely accused and wrongly imprisoned, especially those who are persecuted for the sake of your name. May they gain release and be restored to life and to your service. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY**

Merciful God and Father, bless your servants, the president of the United States, and the governor of this state. May they, and all who are entrusted with public office, execute their responsibilities as ministers of your commandments. Grant them wisdom and understanding so that, by their governance, we may be protected and directed in the way of righteousness, peace, and unity. 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.**

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