

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalm 121

2 Timothy 3:14—4:5

Luke 18:1-8

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

Absolve your people, O Lord, from their offenses, that by your bountiful grace we may be delivered from the bonds of sin, which our own frailty has brought upon us; 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 (*Optional Supplications for*)**ON THE GOSPEL READING • Luke 18:1-8**

Good and gracious Father, you hear every prayer, and in wisdom know how best to answer. Grant us such trust in your fatherly goodness, that we persist in faith when we do not receive that for which we asked, and gladly yield that your will may be done. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Almighty God, by your great mercy in Jesus Christ, your Son, you have given us forgiveness of sin, and all things pertaining to life and godliness. Grant us your Holy Spirit that we may put to death all fleshly and worldly desires, serve you in holiness and purity, and give continual thanks for all your goodness. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR CONTENTMENT**

Deliver us, O Lord, from distrust of your fatherly care when we become anxious about our earthly lives, and direct us anew to live for the hallowing of your name, the coming of your Kingdom, and the doing of your will. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR THE CHURCH'S TASK**

Gracious Lord, we pray for the holy Christian church and its leaders, that you will strengthen it in truth, ground it in faith, and empower it for witness and ministry that it may faithfully declare the good news of redemption from all sin, death, and the power of the devil. 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.

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.**
