

**LECTIONARY TEXTS**

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)  
Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19  
1 Peter 1:17-23  
Luke 24:13-35

**Suggested ReClaim texts**  
(same)



**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, who by the humiliation of your Son raised up a fallen world, give to your faithful people continual gladness, and make those whom you have delivered from the danger of everlasting death, partakers of eternal joy; through the same, Jesus Christ, 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**

**ON THE GOSPEL READING**

Walk with us, risen Lord, and talk with us. Open to us what is written in Scripture about the Christ. Open our ears to hear, and our hearts to believe, so that we may know that you are risen, indeed. Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THE CHURCH**

Grant to your church, O Lord, your Holy Spirit, and the wisdom which comes down from heaven, that your Word may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people. May we serve you in steadfast faith and, in the confession of your name, abide to the end. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR DAILY RENEWAL**

Almighty God, you sent your only Son to take our nature upon himself. Grant that we, having been made alive in him, and having been made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by the Holy Spirit. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR MOTHERS**

Almighty God, giver of life, bless all mothers who, in order to bring forth human life and familial joys, endure the dangers and pangs of giving birth. Watch over them in their travail, deliver them through pain and danger, and reward them with the fullness of joy. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THE UNBORN**

O Lord, creator of life, guard and preserve the unborn, the work of your own hand, and be with mothers who carry them. Bring them both safely through peril to the joy of life. 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.**

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