

**LECTIONARY TEXTS**

**RCL** (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 7:55-60  
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16  
1 Peter 2:2-10  
John 14:1-14

**Suggested ReClaim texts**  
(same)



**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, make the minds of your faithful people into one will. Grant that we may love what you command and desire what you promise, so that amid the many changes of this world, our hearts may remain where true joys abound; 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**

**ON THE GOSPEL READING**

Risen and reigning Lord, assure our troubled hearts that you have gone to prepare a place for us, and that where you are, we shall be also. You alone are the way, the truth, and the life by whom the Father comes to us; in you, we have seen him and know him. Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR UNITY IN THE FAITH**

Lord, you made us to be one body and of one spirit. Remove from us all false teachings that would divide us and subvert your truth: that we, your people, gathered from all nations, may serve you faithfully in the unity of the faith. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR GUIDANCE INTO TRUTH**

Enlighten our minds, O God, by your Holy Spirit that, as your Son has promised, we may be led into all truth. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR GRACE TO KNOW AND FOLLOW CHRIST**

Lord, grant us to know your Son, Jesus Christ, as the way, the truth, and the life, and to walk with him on the path that leads to eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR A BLESSED DEATH**

Sustain us, O Lord, in the hour of our death, and by your Word strengthen us with your saving grace that the adversary not prevail against us, and we be found worthy of everlasting life through the merits Jesus Christ our Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THE SICK**

Almighty and everlasting God, the salvation of all who put their trust in you, hear our prayer for your servants who are ill, for whom we implore your help and mercy that, being restored to health, they may give you thanks and praise, with your whole church. 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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