

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, look with mercy upon your people, and grant that by your great goodness, they may be governed and preserved in both body and soul; through Jesus Christ, your Son, 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

O Lord, you are the resurrection and the life. Our hearts and our flesh will fail, but you are the strength of our hearts and our life forever. Where your Word is spoken there is life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, O God, that he may rule and direct us according to your will, comfort us in all temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth, that we, being steadfast in faith, may increase in love and all good works, and in the end obtain eternal life. 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 THOSE WHO HAVE NOT HEARD

Almighty and everlasting God, you do not desire the death of a sinner, but that the sinner repent and live. We pray that all who do not know your saving grace and truth in Jesus Christ may be turned from false deities to the true and living God, and to him whom you have sent, and be gathered into your holy church to give glory to your name. 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 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.**
