

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
 Lamentations 3:22-33
 Psalm 30
 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
 Mark 5:21-43

Suggested ReClaim texts
 (same)

**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, grant that the affairs of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your providence, that your church may joyfully serve you in quiet holiness; 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 (*Optional Supplications for*)**ON THE GOSPEL READING • Mark 5:21-43**

Lord Jesus Christ, may we never fail to come to you for help in all our troubles, whether it be our own illness or the illness and death of loved ones, for we have no friend like you to whom we can turn. In our time of need, our trust is stayed on you. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Look in mercy upon your church, O Lord, which you have bought with a great price. Keep us from giving offense to the Gospel and bind us together in the unity of the Spirit. Grant that our children, baptized in your name, may daily claim your promised grace. And to all who commune at your table, grant forgiveness, peace, and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR OUR COUNTRY

Almighty God, you have given us this land in which we are free to hear your Word and confess your name. As we approach the celebration of our independence day, we pray that this liberty may continue to our children's children, and that the proclamation of the Gospel may here abound, to our blessing and the blessing of all nations, and to the glory of your name. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR MARRIAGE

For those in the holy estate of marriage, we pray that husbands and wives be strengthened in daily faithfulness to their vows and in true affection toward each other. Guide them through life's common trials and temptations, and enable them to so live together in faith toward you, and in love toward each other, that they may become of one heart and mind. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR CAREGIVERS

O God, the great physician, we pray for doctors, nurses, and all who care for the sick and dying. We give thanks for their ministry of mercy, and pray that you will bless them with the gifts of wisdom, strength, and compassion that they may be a blessing to all in their care.

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.**
