

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 10:44-48

Psalm 98

1 John 5:1-6

John 15:9-17

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Merciful Father, author of all good gifts, help us by your Spirit to think those things that are right, and with your gracious help to perform the same; 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 • John 15:9-17

Help us, risen Savior, to abide in your commandments and, by loving one another the way you graciously love us, may we be filled with your joy, and know our joy complete. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR LOVE TO GOD

Grant to us your servants, O Lord, such health of mind and body, that we may love you with all our strength and all our mind, and with our whole heart perform those things that are pleasing to you. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR LOVE

O Lord, you have taught us that all deeds done without love are nothing. Fill our hearts with that most excellent gift, which is the bond of all virtues, and without which our lives are as lifeless before you. 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 THE ESTATE OF MARRIAGE

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

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE ISLAMIC PEOPLE

Lord Jesus Christ, you commanded, "Go into all the world baptizing and teaching." We intercede for all non-believers, including the Islamic people, praying that all peoples may learn to speak truth to each other in love, so that many will know Jesus Christ, who gave his life as a ransom for all. 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.**
