

**LECTIONARY TEXTS**

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Ezekiel 2:1-5

Psalm 123

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)

**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Most gracious Lord, you have prepared for those who love you such things as surpass our understanding. Fill our hearts with such love for you that, loving you above all else, we may be heirs of your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 6:1-13**

Lord Jesus Christ, even you were unable to reach unreceptive hearts. Teach us and send us, as you did the twelve, to preach repentance urgently, and to waste neither time nor effort with hearts hardened in unbelief. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THE CHURCH**

O Lord, hear the prayers of your church, and deliver us from all adversity and error, so that we may serve you in love, be faithful to your Word, and know your abiding presence with us always. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR ALL MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

By the power of the Holy Spirit, O Lord, impart your grace and help to all who teach and minister your Word, that they may teach it in its purity to the salvation of all who hear. Enlighten all who hear, that they may know the riches of your Word, and serve you, the only true God, in holiness and righteousness. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR MISSIONS**

Have compassion, O Lord, on all who do not know you, and are like sheep without a shepherd. Summon us and all your people, to be winsome messengers of the Good News to all whom we meet and to all nations. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR OUR ENEMIES**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, you have commanded us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. We pray for enemies who denigrate the faith and deny us voice in public discourse. By your gracious work make your name known to your adversaries and turn them from their error, that the Gospel may have free course. Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**FOR THOSE IN AFFLICTION**

O Lord, comforter of the sorrowing and strength of the weak, hear our prayers for all who suffer illness and distress that, whatever their needs, they know your help and comfort. 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.**