

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Isaiah 55:1-5

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:13-21

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord of all power and might, author and giver of all good gifts, graft into our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with your goodness, and by your great mercy keep us in the same; through your Son, Jesus Christ 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**

Lord Jesus Christ, in whom the weary find rest and the hungry are fed, supply your church, as you supplied your disciples, with the bread that comes down from heaven, that we may feed the multitudes in your name. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

By the blessed light of your divine Word, gracious Father, you have led us to the knowledge of your Son. Continue to replenish us with the grace of your Holy Spirit, so that we may ever walk in the light of your truth, rejoicing with sure confidence in Christ our Savior, and be brought to everlasting salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR GRACE TO RECEIVE THE WORD

Lord, you have caused all Scripture to be written for our learning. May we so hear, read, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by the enduring comfort of your Word, we may embrace and firmly hold the hope you have given us of everlasting life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

ON TERRORIST ATTACK IN NORWAY, added

Gracious God, our heavenly Father: we pray for the people of Norway in the wake of the terrorist attack. Send your angels of compassion to attend the wounded and broken hearted, and raise up leaders with wisdom and courage who will provide a way forward. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE MINISTRY

Almighty God, through your Son, Jesus Christ, you gave the Apostles many excellent gifts and commanded them earnestly to feed your flock. May all ministers of your Word be diligent in proclaiming your Word, and your people diligent to follow the same. 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.**