

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Gen 18:1-10a

Psalm 15

Col 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)

**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, your never-failing providence directs everything in heaven and on earth. Remove from us all harmful things, and give us those that are wholesome; 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**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, as you came to the home of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, come also to our homes and summon us to stillness in your presence. So many good things in our lives and homes compete for our attention, but you enable us to choose the one thing needful that can never be taken away, which is your Word. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR THE JEWS**

O Lord, as heirs of Abraham, who believed God and it was reckoned to him as righteousness, we give you thanks for the elder church to whom you gave the Law, the Prophets, and the holy Scriptures, and to whom you promised the coming of the Savior and the advent of your kingdom. We pray for the Jewish people whom you chose, that they may come to know Jesus, as Messiah, and rejoice in the fulfillment of your promise. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR THE SICK**

Almighty and everlasting God, the salvation of all who put their trust in you, hear our prayer for your servants who are ill, for whom we implore your help and mercy, that being restored to health, they may give you thanks and praise, with your whole church. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR GOD'S GOODNESS**

Lord God, heavenly Father, from whom come all good gifts, and in whose gracious daily care we are guarded against all evil, grant us your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge all your goodness, and may ever thank and praise your loving kindness and tender mercy. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**FOR CONTENTMENT**

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you feed the birds and clothe the lilies, and care for us as a father cares for his children. Guard us against distrust of your care and being overly anxious about our temporal needs. Help us by your Holy Spirit to live for the hallowing of your name, the coming of your kingdom, and the doing of your will, so that we cast all our cares on you, and with unwavering faith, abide trustingly in you. 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.**
