

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
 Gen 18:20-32
 Psalm 138
 Col 2:6-15 [16-19]
 Luke 11:1-13

Suggested ReClaim texts
 (same)

**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you reveal your power mainly in showing mercy and pity. Be merciful to us and grant us such a measure of your grace, that we may follow the way of your commandments, obtain your gracious promises, and live as citizens of your heavenly kingdom; 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**

Gracious Father, your Son Jesus, our Lord, taught us to pray that in our lives your name may be holy, your kingdom come, and your will be done. We ask that these, our daily prayers, may accomplish that which Jesus intended. And may we receive also, gracious Father, your gifts of daily bread, forgiveness, help in temptation, and deliverance from all evil. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Grant to your church, O Lord, your Holy Spirit. May your Word not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve you, and in the confession of your name, abide to the end; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR CONTENTMENT

Protect us, O Lord, from distrust of your fatherly care, whenever we become overly anxious about our earthly needs. Direct us anew to live for the hallowing of your name, the coming of your Kingdom, and the doing of your will. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR ANSWER TO PRAYER

Almighty God, you have promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in Jesus' name. We humbly ask that you hear the prayers we offer, and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to your will may be effectually obtained, to the relief of our needs, and to the glory of your name. 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 may receive and know your help and comfort. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Guide and bless the children of your church, O Lord, that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of your Word, and be kept from all danger. 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.**
