

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

Romans 6:3-11 or 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)



COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God our heavenly Father, you raised up your Son, Jesus Christ, overcame death, and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Continue to put into our minds good desires, so that by your continual help, we may bring the same to fruition; through Jesus Christ, 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 16:1-8

Almighty and eternal God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you raised up Jesus who was crucified, dead, and buried, and exalted him above every authority and power, even sin and death! He is Lord of all. Alleluia! Save your church today from being a memorial to his death, and empower us instead to be messengers of the incredible news, "He has risen; he is not here." Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

Lord God, heavenly Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification. Regenerate in us newness of life by your Holy Spirit, that through the power of his resurrection, we may dwell with Christ forever. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

THANKS TO FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT

We thank you, God the Father, for giving your only Son, that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. We thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, that you have borne in your body all our sins, and blotted out all our transgressions. We thank you Lord, the Holy Spirit, for working in our hearts such confidence, that we know of nothing else in which to trust for our salvation except Jesus Christ and him crucified. Grant, O God, that we may firmly believe that all our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake, and so enlighten us by your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully follow the Lord Jesus until we see him face-to-face in eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE DEPARTED

We give thanks, everlasting Father, for your servants who have departed this life in faith and now share the joys of your heavenly Kingdom. We humbly ask that, with them, we may live in Christ and die in him, and finally awoken in his likeness in the resurrection to life everlasting. 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.

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.**
