

Easter Sunday

Series C

Color: White

LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Acts 10:34-43 or Isa 65:17-25

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43

Luke 24:1-12 or John 20:1-18

Suggested ReClaim texts

(same)

Psalms 31:1-8, 23-24

(same)

(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. As you continue to put into our minds good desires, by your continual help may we 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 • Luke 24:1-12

Risen Lord, doubts linger, even among disciples, that your resurrection is an idle tale, and the church is but a mausoleum to your memory. Make us people of Easter who live in you, not in your memory, but in your abiding presence, and who know you as the Lord of life who vanquishes death. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE BLESSEDNESS OF HEAVEN

Almighty, everlasting God, you gave your only Son to be the mediator of good things yet to come. Grant to us your servants, that hereafter we may share in the blessed company of the redeemed. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Grant to your church, O Lord, your Holy Spirit, and the wisdom which comes down from heaven, that your Word may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, and 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 MISSIONS

Lord of the nations, you commanded us to go and make disciples of all nations. Make us ready and willing to build upon the labors of those who went before us, and grant that those who follow will be able to build upon our work, that we with them, and they with us, may fulfill your command to go. 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.

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.**
