



LECTIONARY TEXTS

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)
Isa 43:16-21
Psalm 126
Phil 3:4b-14
John 12:1-8

Suggested ReClaim texts
(same)

COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

Enlighten our hearts, O Lord, by your grace, that as we have known the incarnation of your Son, Jesus Christ, by the annunciation of the angel Gabriel, so by his cross may we know the glory of his resurrection; through the same, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

FOR ISLAM

Lord Jesus Christ, as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness and brought deliverance to all who believed, we pray for the word of the cross to be raised up in a hostile world today, especially among the world's Islamic population, so that whoever will, may freely come and know the good news of your mighty acts of salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE CHURCH

Look in mercy upon your church, O Lord, which you have bought with a great price. Keep us from giving offense to the gospel and bind us together in the unity of the Spirit. Grant that our children, baptized in your name, may live daily their promised washing. And to all who commune with you at your table, grant forgiveness, peace, and life eternal. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THOSE IN AUTHORITY

Merciful God and Father, from whom comes all human powers, and who ordained earthy authority for the sake of justice, peace, and good order, bless your servants, the president of the United States, and the governor of this state. May they, and all who are entrusted with public office, execute their responsibilities as ministers of your commandments. Grant them wisdom and understanding so that under their governance, we may be protected and directed in the way of righteousness, peace, and unity. Defend them from danger, O God, that we, and they, may show forth the glory and righteousness of your name. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

FOR THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Lord God, heavenly Father, we give you thanks that in your great mercy you sent your only Son to become incarnate, and to redeem us from sin and everlasting death. We pray that you would enlighten our hearts by your Holy Spirit, that we may give thanks always for your grace, and may comfort ourselves with the same in every time of trial and temptation. Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, be merciful to all, and when we reach our final hour, grant us a blessed departure from this world, and on the last day, a resurrection into your glory.

Amen.
