



**LECTIONARY TEXTS**

RCL (Revised Common Lectionary)

Isa 43:1-7

Psalm 29

Acts 8:14-17

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

**Suggested ReClaim texts**  
(same)

**COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Lord God, mercifully hear our prayers, and grant that we may both perceive and know the things we ought to do, and give us, we pray, the grace and power to do them; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**FOR ANSWER TO PRAYER**

Almighty God, fountain of all wisdom, you know our needs before we can ask, and that we know not what to ask. Have compassion on our infirmity, and those things for which in our unworthiness we dare not ask, as well as those things for which in our blindness we cannot ask, grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. 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.**

**FOR THE SICK**

Gracious Father, 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 THE HOLY SPIRIT**

Lord God, heavenly Father, let your Holy Spirit dwell in us, that he may enlighten us and lead us into all truth, and evermore defend us in all adversities. 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.**

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