

**Year C; Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Liturgical Elements**  
**Developed for July 3, 2022**  
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**Lectionary Texts**

- 2 Kings 5:1-14
- Psalm 30:1-12
- Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16
- Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalms 30*)

One: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,

**All: and give thanks to his holy name.**

One: For his anger is but for a moment;

**All: his favor is for a lifetime.**

One: Weeping may linger for the night,

**All: but his joy comes with the morning.**

One: He turns mourning into dancing;

**All: he replaces clothes of mourning and repentance with clothes of joy.**

One: All of this is so that our souls may praise him and not be silent.

**All: O LORD our God, we will give thanks to you forever. Let us worship God.**

**CALL TO CONFESSION** (*from 2 Kings 5*)

Too often, God's ways are not our ways. We expect healing to happen in a particular way and expect to be served rather than to serve. Let us humbly confess those times when we have not aligned our will and our expectations with God's.

**CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*from 2 Kings 5*)

**Merciful God, your prophet intended to heal Naaman through your power but not in the way that Naaman expected. He turned away in a rage and only at his servants' invitation did he go to the Jordan to wash seven times. You invite us, also, into a better life through ways that we resist. Too often we are ready to walk away in a rage because your ways are not our ways. Forgive us for holding too much pride in ourselves and for being closed to the ways in which you might work. Continue to call us into your perfect ways. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*from Galatians 6*)

Let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time. Let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. God has offered us salvation at the harvest. Work for the good of all, commit to all of God's ways, and know that you are forgiven. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(from Luke 10)*

**Gracious God, our Lord sent out seventy to prepare the way for him where the harvest was great but the workers were few. Our faith is a result of people such as them. We thank you for their work and the work of your Spirit through them. Embolden us by your Spirit as witnesses, and use these gifts to make your name known throughout our community. Amen.**

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