

Year B; Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Liturgical Elements
Developed for June 30, 2024
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Lectionary Texts (Semicontinuous)

- 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
- Psalm 130
- 2 Corinthians 8:7-15
- Mark 5:21-43

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 130*)

One: If you, O LORD, should mark, iniquities, Lord, who could stand?
All: But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.
One: We wait for the Lord, our souls wait,
All: and in his word we hope.
One: Our souls wait for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,
All: more than those who watch for the morning.
One: O people, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem.
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CALL TO CONFESSION (*from Psalm 130*)

The Psalmist writes, "If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered." Let us gather before God in repentance — confessing our sins.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*from 2 Corinthians 8*)

Almighty and loving God, the world presses upon us its view that there is never enough — that we need to consume — that to have more, bigger, and better is our right in life. Our Lord Jesus teaches a different way — though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty we might become rich. Forgive our hoarding and our constant desire for more when others suffer with far less. Call us to a more generous and simpler life. We pray this in the name of our Lord Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*from 2 Corinthians 8*)

God promises forgiveness of sins in his scriptures through our Lord Jesus Christ, his work on the cross, and his resurrection. These signs and testimonies provide evidence of this promise to those who put their trust in our Lord Jesus and follow him. Trust in Jesus, believe his promises, follow him, and know that you are forgiven. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*from 2 Corinthians 8*)

Triune God, you created the world in all its beauty and abundance and made it available to humanity to steward. You led your people Israel working to make yourself known to the nations. You came in human form that humanity might know you and see you demonstrate your ways. After Jesus ascended, you sent your Holy Spirit to live within the faithful to continue to make yourself known. In thankfulness for your gifts and continued fellowship with us, we offer these gifts from our labors built upon your creation for your continued work. Amen.

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