Thursday, March 14, 2097

# Thursday of Laetare

Lent • One-Year (Historic) • 2096–2097 Church Year • Purple

## APPOINTED READINGS

**LESSON**
2 Kings 4:25-38a

**GOSPEL**
John 5:17-29

## INTROIT

*Laetetur cor* — Psalm 105

*Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek the Lord, and be strengthened: seek his face evermore. Psalm. Give glory to the Lord, and call upon his name; declare his deeds among the gentiles.*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Grant we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who are chastised by the fasts we have undertaken, may rejoice with holy devotion; that our earthly affections being weakened, we may more easily apprehend heavenly things. Through our Lord, &c.*

Introit and collect: Husenbeth, The Missal for the Use of the Laity (London, 1853) — Thursday, Fourth Week, public domain (historic Western propers; not from Lutheran service books). Readings per The Lutheran Missal, “Lenten Lections” (2020).