Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MORNING PRAYER

November 23, 2025 { Solemnity – Christ the King }



Invitatory

Stand and make sign of cross on lips with thumb

Lord, open my lips.

— And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

Psalm 95

A call to praise God

Encourage each other daily while it is still today (Hebrews 3:13).

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Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us. Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

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The Lord is God, the mighty God, the great king over all the gods. He holds in his hands the depths of the earth and the highest mountains as well. He made the sea; it belongs to him, the dry land, too, for it was formed by his hands.

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Come, then, let us bow down and worship, bending the knee before the Lord, our maker. For he is our God and we are his people, the flock he shepherds.

— Come let us worship Jesus Christ, the King of kings.

Today, listen to the voice of the Lord: Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did in the wilderness, when at Meriba and Massah they challenged me and provoked me, Although they had seen all of my works.

— Come let us worship Jesus Christ, the King of kings.

Forty years I endured that generation.
I said, "They are a people whose hearts go astray and they do not know my ways."
So I swore in my anger,
"They shall not enter into my rest."

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Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

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Morning Prayer

HYMN

Eternal God from God most high and radiant Image, Light from Light, to you, Redeemer, sov'reign Lord, all glory, honor, royal pow'r.

Alone before the world began, sole hope and center of all times, by right and law you govern all: we freely bow before your rule.

O flow'r of Mary, Virgin pure, and head of all the human race, the falling stone cut from the height that like a mountain fills the earth:

All offspring of our mortal race were doomed to serve dread tyranny; through you alone they broke their bonds, reclaiming heaven for their own.

O Teacher, giver of the Law,

O Priest, you bear inscribed in blood this title on your royal robe: The Prince of princes, King of kings.

To Father and to Paraclete, to you, O Christ, all glory be, who draw us, ransomed by your blood, to your eternal heav'nly reign. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

A man will come whose name is the Dayspring; from his throne he will rule over all; he will speak of peace to the nations.

Psalm 63:2-9

A soul thirsting for God

Whoever has left the darkness of sin yearns for God.

O Gód, you are my Gód, for you I lóng; * for yóu my sóul is thírsting. My bódy pínes for yóu * like a drý, weary lánd without wáter. So I gáze on yóu in the sánctuary * to sée your stréngth and your glóry.

For your lóve is bétter than lífe, * my líps will spéak your práise.

So I will bléss you áll my lífe, *
in your náme I will líft up my hánds.
My sóul shall be fílled as with a bánquet, *
my móuth shall práise you with jóy.

On my béd I remémber yóu. *
On yóu I múse through the níght for yóu have béen my hélp; *
in the shádow of your wíngs I rejóice.
My sóul clíngs to yóu; *
your ríght hand hólds me fást.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

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Antiphon 2

They will sing his praises to the ends of the earth, and he will be their peace.

Canticle - Daniel 3:57-88, 56

Let all creatures praise the Lord

All you servants of the Lord, sing praise to him (Revelation 19:5).

Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.* Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord.*

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You heavens, bless the Lord.

All you waters above the heavens, bless the Lord.*

All you hosts of the Lord, bless the Lord.

Sun and moon, bless the Lord.*

Stars of heaven, bless the Lord.

Every shower and dew, bless the Lord.*

All you winds, bless the Lord.

Fire and heat, bless the Lord.*

Cold and chill, bless the Lord.

Dew and rain, bless the Lord.

Frost and chill, bless the Lord.

Ice and snow, bless the Lord.

Nights and days, bless the Lord.

Light and darkness, bless the Lord.

Lightnings and clouds, bless the Lord.

Let the earth bless the Lord. *
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Mountains and hills, bless the Lord. *
Everything growing from the earth, bless the Lord.
You springs, bless the Lord. *
Seas and rivers, bless the Lord.
You dolphins and all water creatures, bless the Lord. *
All you birds of the air, bless the Lord.
All you beasts, wild and tame, bless the Lord. *
You sons of men, bless the Lord.

O Israel, bless the Lord.*
Praise and exalt him above all forever.
Priests of the Lord, bless the Lord.*
Servants of the Lord, bless the Lord.
Spirits and souls of the just, bless the Lord.*
Holy men of humble heart, bless the Lord.
Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael, bless the Lord.*
Praise and exalt him above all forever.

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.* Let us praise and exalt him above all forever. Blessed are you, Lord, in the firmament of heaven.* Praiseworthy and glorious and exalted above all forever.

Antiphon

They will sing his praises to the ends of the earth, and he will be their peace.

Antiphon 3

The Lord will give him power and honor and kingship; all peoples, tribes and nations will serve him.

Psalm 149

The joy of God's holy people.

Let the sons of the Church, the children of the new people, rejoice in Christ, their King (Hesychius).

Síng a new sóng to the Lórd,*
his práise in the assémbly of the fáithful.
Let Ísrael rejóice in its máker,*
let Zíon's sons exúlt in their kíng.
Let them práise his náme with dáncing *
and make músic with tímbrel and hárp.

For the Lórd takes delight in his péople. *
He crówns the póor with salvátion.
Let the fáithful rejóice in their glóry, *
shout for jóy and táke their rést.
Let the práise of Gód be on their líps *
and a twó-edged swórd in their hánd,

to déal out véngeance to the nátions * and púnishment on áll the péoples; to bínd their kíngs in cháins * and their nóbles in fétters of íron; to cárry out the séntence pre-ordáined; * this hónor is for áll his fáithful.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

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Sit

READING

Ephesians 4:15-16

Let us profess the truth in love and grow to the full maturity of

Christ the head. Through him the whole body grows, and with the proper functioning of the members joined firmly together by each supporting ligament, builds itself up in love.

RESPONSORY

Your saints, O Lord, will tell of the glory of your kingdom.

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They will proclaim your power.

— They will tell of the glory of your kingdom.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

— Your saints, O Lord, will tell of the glory of your kingdom.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

He fashioned us into a kingdom for the glory of his God and Father; he is the firstborn of the dead and the leader of all the kings of the earth, alleluia.

Luke 1:68-79

The Messiah and his forerunner

Make sign of cross

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old † that he would save us from our enemies, * from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our fathers * and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: * to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, *

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; *for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation *by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God * the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

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INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to Christ the King. He is the firstborn of all creation; all things exist in him.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, you are our savior and our God, our shepherd and our king, lead your people to life-giving pastures.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Good Shepherd, you laid down your life for your sheep, rule over us, and in your care we shall want for nothing.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, our redeemer, you have been made king over all the earth, restore all creation in yourself.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

King of all creation, you came into the world to bear witness to the

truth, may all men come to acknowledge your primacy in all things.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

Christ, our model and master, you have brought us into your kingdom,

grant that we may be holy and blameless before you this day.

— May your kingdom come, O Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Concluding Prayer

Almighty and merciful God, you break the power of evil and make all things new in your Son Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

— Amen.

Dismissal

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

— Amen.

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